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Incredibly Sad Story Has A Heartwarming Ending

A bargain hunter in Florida walked away with Grandma. A small amount of Piper Gaffrey's grandmother's ashes were put in a potted violet after her death. The plant was accidentally sold at a weekend yard sale. When Gaffrey saw it was gone, she reached out on Facebook, and the plant was returned. **(AP)**

Like Confetti Or Ticker Tape, Only Awful

Authorities say a man hurled wet toilet paper on a New Jersey high school from a single-engine plane. A Federal Aviation Administration spokesman says the pilot flew over Westwood High School and its athletic fields at about 6 p.m. Wednesday. Children were on the field as the pilot dropped his soggy cargo, littering the area. There were no reports of injuries. The plane made three passes before landing at a nearby airport. **(AP)**

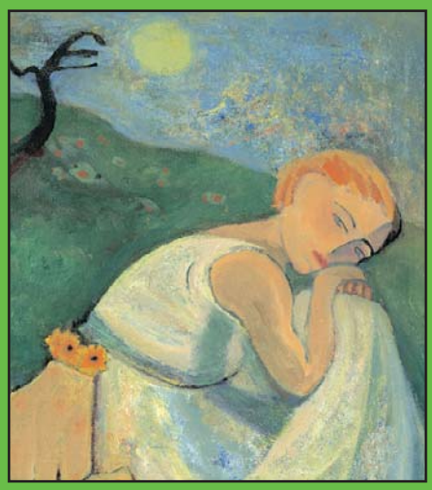
As Sad as 'The Giving Tree' Or Sadder? You Decide.

An artist is beginning again with a wooden tree sculpture in Lexington, Ky., after a man burned it to stay warm. The work was earlier damaged when the big bur oak tree it will honor fell on part of the sculpture. Kansas artist Matt Burke says he was disappointed but felt sorry for the arsonist, and will finish the work. **(AP)**

The Big Picture

BEBETO MATTHEWS/AP

"SALVATORE CURLEONE," a 1-year-old Selkirk Rex, and "Eurocastle Peanutter," a 4-month-old European Burmese, pose in costume during a preview of the second annual Meet the Breeds event, sponsored by the American Kennel Club and Cat Fanciers' Association, on Wednesday in New York. **(AP)**



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O'Donnell Mutes Religious Views

Trailing in the polls, tea party candidate walks fine line in Del.

Newark, Del.

Suddenly, Christine O'Donnell doesn't want to talk about values and religion.

The Republican Senate nominee from Delaware, who said four years ago that she heard the "audible voice of God" encouraging her to run for office, is shying away from the evangelical views that built her career as a television pundit and conservative activist.

Trailing badly in the polls, O'Donnell has bobbed and weaved recently on her previously bold and provocative positions that are sure to alienate the all-important centrist voting bloc in politically moderate Delaware.

"What I believe is irrelevant," she said under the bright lights of a nationally televised debate Wednesday when asked whether she still believes evolution is a myth and schools should be teaching creationism as science.

MARK WILSON/GETTY IMAGES

Christine O'Donnell says her beliefs about evolution and creationism are 'irrelevant.'

"Regardless of my personal faith, it is by the Constitution that I will make all of my decisions."

— **REPUBLICAN SENATE NOMINEE CHRISTINE O'DONNELL,** REMARKING ABOUT HER RELIGIOUS VIEWS DURING A NATIONALLY TELEVISED DEBATE ON WEDNESDAY.

The tea party favorite is walking a delicate line, trying to avoid a third-straight losing Senate campaign by maintaining the enthusiasm of her evangelical base while not scaring off the centrists who see such views as extreme.

The 41-year-old Republican says her beliefs on some of her most unusual positions — such as opposing masturbation — have matured and that her religion doesn't drive her politics. Her Democratic opponent, Chris Coons, said that does little to clear up her views.

"Making sure that we've got on the record Ms. O'Donnell's views on things like prayer, abortion and evolution is important," Coons said. "These aren't just random statements on some late-night TV show. These are relevant to her service in the United States Senate." **BEN EVANS (AP)**

Soft-Pedaling

Christine O'Donnell hasn't always been so quiet. For more than two decades as a cable news commentator and evangelical activist, she has characterized homosexuality as a psychological disorder and called evolution a myth. She said her opposition to using human embryos in stem cell research was the reason she ran for the Senate the first time, in 2006. She said during that campaign she was initially reluctant to get into politics because she knew it would require diluting her views. **(AP)**

Verizon, iPad Unite: In a sign of warming relations, Verizon Wireless is going to start selling Apple Inc.'s iPad at the end of this month, the companies said Thursday. Verizon Wireless will sell the Wi-Fi version, with the option of bundling it with a "MiFi" gadget for about $130. MiFi, a Post-it-pad sized, battery-powered device, connects to Verizon's 3G network and relays the data to the iPad via Wi-Fi. Data plans will start at $20 per month for 1 gigabyte. **(AP)**

In Brief

NEW YORK

Lawyers: Suspects in Gay Hate Crimes Not Guilty

The 10 men accused of participating in what's being called the city's worst case of anti-gay violence in recent memory appeared one by one before a judge in the Bronx as prosecutors said they were ready to present evidence to indict them on various charges including assault, sexual abuse and harassment, all as hate crimes. Their lawyers maintain that they are not guilty. **(AP)**

FARMINGVILLE, N.Y.

County Debuts Website To Track Animal Abuse

Suffolk County moved to create the nation's first animal abuse registry this week, requiring people convicted of cruelty to animals to register or face jail time and fines. The online list will be open to the public so that people can find out whether someone living near them is on it. **(AP)**

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The amount in fines that CVS Pharmacy Inc. has agreed to pay for allowing repeated purchases of a key ingredient in the making of methamphetamine in at least five states, authorities said Thursday. (AP)

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Health Care Suit Is OK'd

Judge: Obama's plan needs more debate, may violate rights

Pensacola, Fla.

A federal judge ruled Thursday that parts of a lawsuit by 20 states seeking to void the Obama administration's health care overhaul can go to trial, saying he wants to hear additional arguments from both sides over whether the law is unconstitutional.

The historic health care reform was Obama's biggest domestic priority and remains a divisive issue in next month's elections.

In a written ruling, U.S. District Judge Roger Vinson said it needs to be decided whether the plan violates the Constitution by requiring individuals to have health insurance or be penalized through taxes and by overburdening the states by expanding their Medicaid health care programs.

Vinson set a hearing for Dec. 16. The lawsuits will likely wind up before the U.S. Supreme Court.

MELISSA NELSON (AP)

Backstory

Florida Attorney General Bill McCollum issued a statement praising Judge Vinson's ruling as a victory. He filed the lawsuit just minutes after President Obama signed the 10-year, $938 billion health care bill into law in March. The Obama administration has argued the federal government can require that citizens buy health insurance or face tax penalties under its constitutional power to regulate interstate commerce. (AP)

First Lady Encourages Early Voting

M. SPENCER GREEN/AP

MICHELLE OBAMA VOTES as Amanda Deisch, right, takes a photo Thursday at the Martin Luther King Community Center in Chicago. The first lady promoted early voting — in words and example — at a time when both political parties are encouraging their supporters not to wait until Election Day to vote. "This one counts as much as the other one," she said.

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World

Official: Taliban Are Ready to Negotiate

Peace council nears open talks, former Afghan leader says

Kabul, Afghanistan

A former Afghan president who heads a new peace council said Thursday that he's convinced the Taliban are ready to negotiate peace.

Burhanuddin Rabbani told reporters in Kabul the Taliban have not completely rejected the idea of negotiating a nonmilitary resolution of the war.

"We are taking our first steps," Rabbani said. "I believe there are people among the Taliban that have a message that they want to talk. They are ready."

The Afghan government has acknowledged that it has been involved in reconciliation talks with the Taliban, but discussions between the two sides have been described as mostly informal and indirect message exchanges.

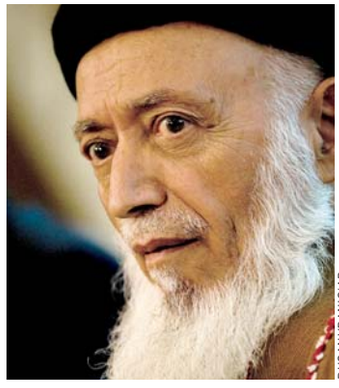
U.S. Secretary of Defense Robert Gates said any reconciliation between the Afghan government and the Taliban has to be led by Afghans. But he said Thursday that the U.S. is offering advice and has kept an ear on the initial talks.

U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton said Thursday that she thinks it's "highly unlikely" that Taliban leaders, who refused to turn over Osama bin Laden in 2001, will ever reconcile.

The Afghan Taliban, meanwhile, have denied having discussions. DEB RIECHMANN (AP)

Meanwhile ...

A new report from a U.S. foundation details allegations of detainee abuse as recently as this year from Afghans who say they were held at a secret jail inside the main American military base in Afghanistan. The military denied it ran any such hidden jails and said that all detention facilities are held to the same strict standards of conduct. The report was released Thursday by the Open Society Foundations. (AP)



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Ex-Afghan leader Burhanuddin Rabbani is helping seek peace with the Taliban.

As Miners Recover, Pinera Pledges Reform

San Jose Mine, Chile

Chile's 33 rescued miners posed with the president and were poked by doctors on Thursday, itching to reunite with their families and sleep in their own beds for the first time since a cave-in nearly killed them on Aug. 5.

Relatives were organizing parties and trying to hold off an onslaught of demands by those seeking to share in the glory of the amazing rescue that entranced people around the world and set off celebrations across this South American nation.

The miners and the country will never be the same, President Sebastian Pinera said.

Pinera vowed that those responsible for the mine collapse "will not go unpunished. Those who are responsible will have to assume their responsibility."

He also promised "radical" changes and tougher safety laws to improve how businesses treat their workers.

None of the miners are suffering from shock despite their harrowing entrapment, a reflection of the care sent through a narrow borehole by a team of hundreds during their 69 days underground.

All of the miners remain tense and spent a restless first night in the hospital, the doctors said, which is only natural given what they face as they begin their new lives.

Chile has promised to care for the miners for six months at least — until they can be sure each man has readjusted.

The rescue will end up costing "somewhere between $10 [million] and $20 million," a third covered by private donations with the rest coming from state-owned miner Codelco and the government itself, Pinera said.

The families of 27 of the 33 rescued miners have sued the mine's owners for negligence and compensatory damages. A suit was being prepared accusing the government of failing to enforce its safety regulations. FRANK BAJAK (AP)

AP

Chilean President Sebastian Pinera visits the 33 miners at a hospital in Copiapo, where they were taken for treatment.

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The time, in hours and minutes, needed to rescue all 33 Chilean miners. Officials had initially estimated that the operation would take between 36 and 48 hours. (AP)

The Popular 33

INVITATIONS to visit soccer teams are flooding the Chilean miners. Real Madrid invited the men to visit, and Manchester United is planning a similar reception. Boca Juniors coach Claudio Borghi said he would love to share a cup of tea with them. In addition, honors and offers of jobs and even vacations have poured in. (AP)

Iranian Leader Taunts Israel From Lebanon

Bint Jbeil, Lebanon

Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad taunted archenemy Israel on Thursday from across the tense border in southern Lebanon, where he rallied tens of thousands of supporters of ally Hezbollah as Israeli attack helicopters buzzed nearby.

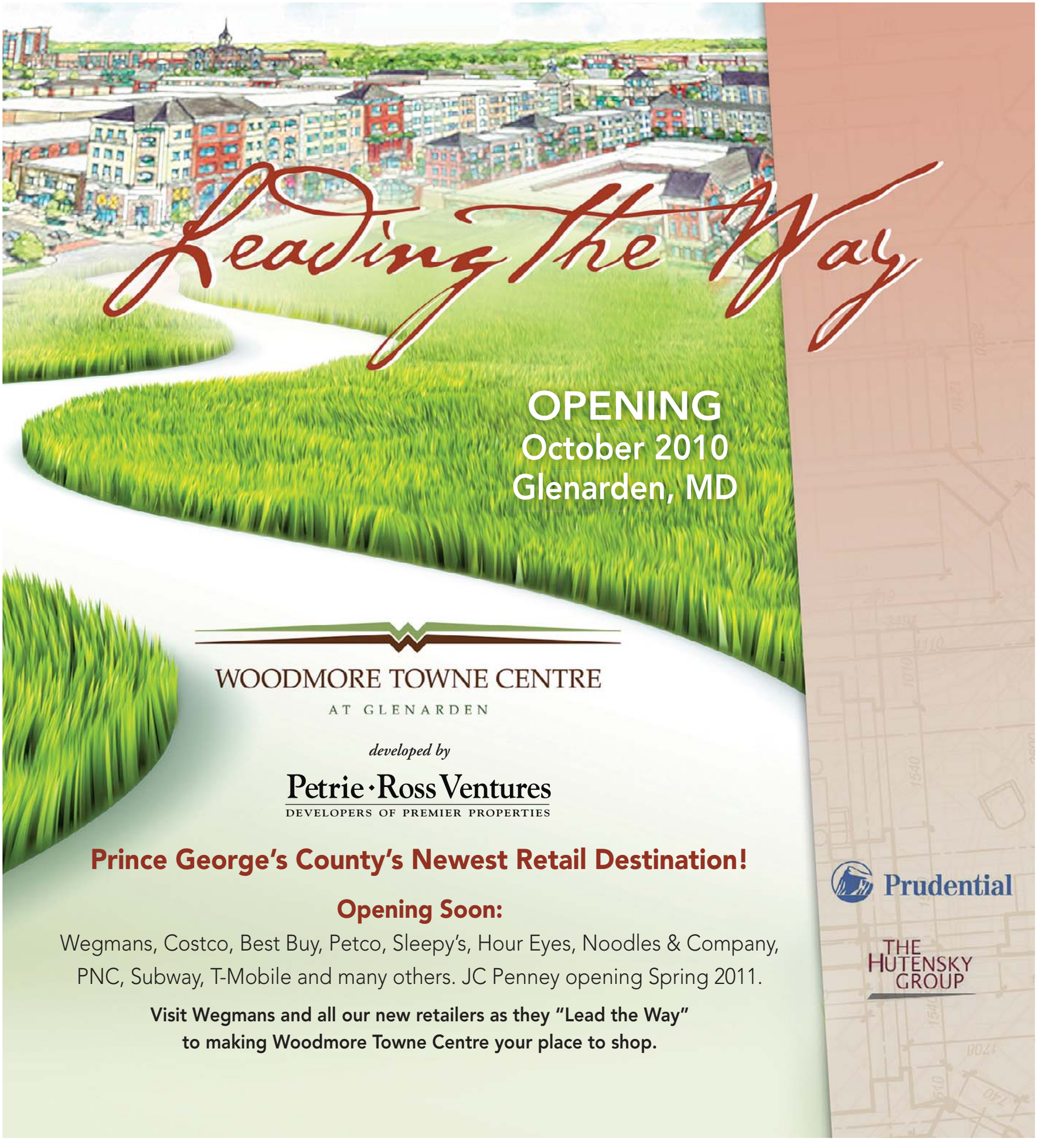
"The world should know that Zionists will perish," Ahmadinejad said at a rally.

The Iranian leader, who denied the Holocaust and has repeatedly said Israel should be wiped off the map, vowed that "resistance" forces will liberate Palestinians from Israeli control.

Ahmadinejad arrived inLebanon on Wednesday for his first state visit since he became president, in 2005. The U.S. and Israel called his visit to southern Lebanon a provocation. (AP)

Correction

A box in Thursday's Express incorrectly stated the height of Khagendra Thapa Magar, who was officially declared the world's shortest man Thursday. He is 26.4 inches tall, not 28.5 inches. We regret the error.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World

In Brief

ATHENS, GREECE

Tear Gas Used to Oust Protesters at Acropolis

Riot police clashed with protesting Culture Ministry workers barricading the ancient Acropolis on Thursday, using tear gas to clear the entrance to Greece's most famous landmark. Up to 100 workers had kept it closed since Wednesday, complaining they were owed up to 24 months' worth of back pay and faced dismissal when their contracts expire on Oct. 31. (AP)

MULTAN, PAKISTAN

Seven Arrested in Plot To Kill Prime Minister

Pakistani police arrested a group of Islamist militants plotting to kill Prime Minister Yousuf Raza Gilani in a gun and suicide bomb attack, officials said Thursday. The seven men also are accused of targeting other leaders for assassination. (AP)

KABUL, AFGHANISTAN

Eight NATO Troops Killed

Eight NATO service members were killed in a spate of attacks in Afghanistan on Thursday, bringing the alliance's troop losses over the past two days to 14, officials said. (AP)

Oddities

HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE tried to nap at a mall in Madrid on Thursday in what was billed as Spain's first siesta contest. Contestants had 20 minutes to lie down, and a doctor used a pulse-measuring device to determine the time snoozed. Fermin Lominchar, 47, won the inaugural round, having slept 18 minutes. (AP)

'Don't Ask' Back in Limbo

Obama challenges the court ruling ending the ban on openly gay troops

Washington

After two days of silence, the Obama administration urged a federal judge on Thursday to let the military press on with its "don't ask, don't tell" ban on gays serving openly in the military. Still, President Obama insisted the policy that has divided the nation for two decades "will end on my watch."

The Pentagon said the military "will, of course, obey the law" and halt enforcement while the case is still in question. But gay rights advocates cautioned gay service members to avoid revealing their sexuality in the meantime.

A federal judge abruptly threw out the Clinton-era ban Tuesday, setting in motion a legal, political and human-rights back-and-forth that put the administration on the spot just two weeks before crucial midterm elections. Obama has consistently argued against the ban, approved by Congress in 1993. But he says it is up to Congress to repeal it.

13,500

The number of service members who have been dismissed under the "don't ask, don't tell" policy since it was created in 1993. In 2009, 428 were let go. (AP)

The policy, summed up as "don't ask, don't tell," refers to guidance that gay or lesbian Americans can serve in the military but not openly. Their superiors are forbidden to ask about sexual orientation, but service members can be thrown out or denied enlistment if they talk about being gay or let it be known that they engage in homosexual acts.

Obama's Justice Department asked U.S. District Judge Virginia Phillips to stay her ruling that overturned the ban while the government prepares a formal appeal. Asking the judge for a response by Monday — "given the urgency and gravity of the issues" — the government said that suddenly ending the ban would be disruptive and "irreparably harm the public interest in a strong and effective military."

Obama, challenged Thursday at a town hall meeting by a Howard University faculty member who questioned his "alleged commitment to equality for all Americans, gay and straight," said his stance has not wavered. He can't end the ban with the stroke of a pen, he said, but "we're going to end this policy."

Even as the administration was arguing to keep "don't ask, don't tell" in place for now, the Pentagon's top lawyers were telling troops that the military intends to comply with the court order lifting the ban.

Col. Dave Lapan, a Pentagon spokesman, said that the Defense Department "will, of course, obey the law." He said any changes were effective Tuesday when the ruling was first issued.

The Pentagon would not say what would happen if the judge grants the government's request for a temporary stay. But it is assumed the military would comply with that as well, reinstating the ban

In its filing with the California judge, the Justice Department argued that repeated and sudden changes in policy regarding "don't ask, don't tell" would be "enormously disruptive and time-consuming, particularly at a time when this nation is involved in combat operations overseas." (AP)

PABLO MARTINEZ MONSIVAIS/AP

A group of military personnel handcuff themselves to the fence outside the White House during a protest for gay rights on April 16, 2010.

Talking Points

"This order from Judge Phillips is another historic and courageous step in the right direction, a step that Congress has been noticeably slow in taking."

ALEXANDER NICHOLSON, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF SERVICEMEMBERS UNITED, THE NATION'S LARGEST ORGANIZATION OF GAY AND LESBIAN TROOPS AND VETERANS.

"Once again, an activist federal judge is using the military to advance a liberal social agenda, disregarding the views of all four military service chiefs and the constitutional role of Congress."

TONY PERKINS, FAMILY RESEARCH COUNCIL PRESIDENT, WHO ACCUSED JUDGE VIRGINIA PHILLIPS OF "PLAYING POLITICS" WITH NATIONAL DEFENSE WITH HER RULING.

Courts & Congress

Don't Ask, Don't Tell

U.S. District Judge Virginia Phillips won praise from gays and was derided by critics as an activist judge when she issued an injunction Tuesday ending the "don't ask, don't tell" policy. She said the policy violates due process rights, freedom of speech and the right to petition the government for redress of grievances.

A Senate test vote on a repeal bill failed last month as Republicans united against it, and it remains unclear whether Democrats will bring up the measure again during a lame-duck session after the midterm elections next month.

Gay Marriage

In July, a federal judge in Boston ruled the federal gay marriage ban unconstitutional, saying that it interfered with a state's right to define marriage. In a separate case, a federal judge in California ruled in August that the state's ban on same-sex marriage violates the constitutional right to equal protection.

Local

DC Rider

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Gloves off for Ehrlich, O'Malley

Md. gov. candidate debate gets heated on gays, race, immigrants

Washington

Tempers flared Thursday in a feisty debate between Maryland Gov. Martin O'Malley and former governor Robert L. Ehrlich Jr., with the Republican challenger coming out swinging and charging that the Democratic incumbent was not leveling with voters about the state's toughest fiscal issues.

Ehrlich repeatedly accused O'Malley of evading answers to tough questions about his record and "talking in cliches." The Republican challenger also tried to set himself apart by saying more declaratively than he had in a previous debate that he would do away with costly pensions in favor of 401(k)s for new state workers and would not pretend — as he said O'Malley does — that Maryland can afford to build a rail extension between Montgomery and Prince George's counties.

BILL O'LEARY/TWP

Robert Ehrlich, left, and Gov. Martin O'Malley sparred at the debate on Thursday.

But in the debate hosted by The Washington Post, some of the most heated exchanges came on immigration, race and same-sex marriage with O'Malley saying "new Americans" are not to blame for the recession or the rest of the nation's ills, while Ehrlich said O'Malley was using a euphemism. "You're really referring to illegal immigrants ... and we really do have to draw the line," Ehrlich said.

O'Malley talked in more detail about efforts by his administration to aid Prince George's Hospital Center, push for reliability improvements for Pepco customers and to keep tuition at the University of Maryland and other schools in check — apparent attempts to maintain or bolster the double-digit lead he held late last month, when The Post conducted its last poll.

From the outset, the debate was more tense than one Monday in Baltimore. Ehrlich sought to portray O'Malley as a smooth-talking politician who won't level with voters, and said the state could do better than the doubling of the unemployment rate that occurred over the past four years under O'Malley. (THE WASHINGTON POST)

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Metro Delays SmarTrip Cost Cut

Washington

The finance committee of Metro's board of directors Thursday postponed a plan to reduce the price of SmarTrip cards from $5, describing the plan as flawed.

The panel again asked Metro staff to provide more detail on various options for reducing the card price, but several members indicated they would prefer to drop the plan and maintain the status quo.

One proposal would cut the card price to $2.50 on Dec. 19 but require riders to purchase at least $2.50 of stored value on the card. But several board members voiced concerns that that would not eliminate the potential problem of users' cheating the system.

Customers could buy cards for $2.50 and use them for more expensive trips. (THE WASHINGTON POST)

The Lotteries

Thursday, Oct. 14

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Mid-day Pick 3	7-5-6
Evening Pick 3 (Wed.)	6-0-4
Mid-day Pick 4	1-1-9-5
Evening Pick 4 (Wed.)	3-0-1-7
Mid-day Cash 5	15-26-31-33-34
Evening Cash 5 (Wed.)	7-21-27-29-31
Win For Life (Wed.)	6-7-12-17-19-35 (25)

Maryland

Mid-day Pick 3	0-8-8
Evening Pick 3 (Wed.)	5-0-5
Mid-day Pick 4	4-6-7-1
Evening Pick 4 (Wed.)	2-6-6-8
Match 5 (Wed.)	4-13-16-17-23 (10)
Multi-Match (Wed.)	7-11-21-22-26-29

District

Mid-day Lucky Numbers	5-1-6
Evening Lucky Numbers (Wed.)	0-1-6
Mid-day DC 4	4-7-2-3
Evening DC 4 (Wed.)	6-9-3-3
Mid-day D.C. Five	7-9-2-3-4
Evening D.C. Five (Wed.)	6-7-2-5-6
Daily 6 (Wed.)	6-10-24-25-35-38 (33)
Hot Lotto (Wed.)	4-7-11-21-36 (6)

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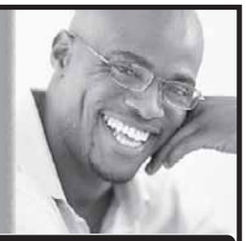

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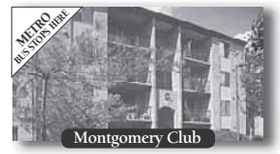

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TV Lineup

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Roy Halladay and the Phillies meet the Giants in Game 1 of the NLCS Saturday.

Friday

8 P.M. After winning their first playoff series in club history, the Texas Rangers host the New York Yankees in Game 1 of the ALCS. TBS

8 P.M. Get your college football fix with Louisville hosting Cincinnati..

Saturday

NOON Maryland visits Clemson in an ACC football battle. DC20

3:30 P.M. The streaking Virginia Tech Hokies take on Wake Forest. ESPNU

4 P.M. In the second-to-last game of the year, D.C. United visits Chicago. CSN

4 P.M. Game 2 of the ALCS. TBS

7:30 P.M. Roy Halladay and the Phillies take on Tim Lincecum and the Giants in Game 1 of the NLCS. Fox

8 P.M. The Capitals hit the road to face the Atlanta Thrashers. CSN

Sunday

1 P.M. The Baltimore Ravens visit the New England Patriots in the day's early marquee matchup. CBS

1 P.M. Michael Vick will likely be on the sidelines when the Eagles face his old team, the Falcons. Fox

4:15 P.M. Two high-profile disappointments meet when the Dallas Cowboys visit Brett Favre and the Minnesota Vikings. Fox

8 P.M. Game 2 of the Yankees-Rangers ALCS. Fox

8:20 P.M. The Redskins host Peyton Manning and the Colts. NBC

A Dangerous Game

Warning: Watching the Redskins may be bad for your health

The Redskins

Like someone running to catch the only Metro train coming in the next 20 minutes, Redskins fans are having trouble catching their breath.

8:20 P.M.
Sunday | NBC

They were on the edge of their seats against Dallas in the home opener, when a potential game-winning Cowboys touchdown pass was invalidated because of a hold on the last play of the game.

They needed chest compressions when the Eagles nearly reeled in a Hail Mary pass on the last play of Washington's Week 4 win in Philadelphia.

And as Mason Crosby's 53-yard field goal attempt slowly floated end-over-end toward the uprights near the end of regulation last Sunday at FedEx Field, they may have all thought they were going to collapse. But the kick ricocheted off the left upright, allowing the Redskins to push the game into overtime, when they beat Green Bay 16-13.

The Redskins (3-2) have played four games decided on the final play so far this year — including a 30-27 overtime loss to Houston. But instead of looking at those close calls as a bad thing, the Redskins brass and players say the victories reflect the team's resiliency. Whatever they're doing, it's hard to argue with the early results: Washington is one win away from last year's season total.

"I think what [coach Mike Shanahan] has brought is putting us through a lot of things early — training camps, offseason workouts — just to show us that there are going to be situations throughout the season that we are going to have to face and we are going to have to call on each other," receiver Santana Moss said.

> **"Our whole mentality is so much different from the years before."**
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> — **SANTANA MOSS,** WHO SAYS THE REGIME CHANGE IN D.C. IS RESPONSIBLE FOR A NEW CAN-DO ATTITUDE WITH THE REDSKINS, WHO HAVE WON THREE CLOSE CONTESTS.

The Redskins will need every measure of that determination when they take on Indianapolis (3-2) on Sunday night at FedEx Field. The Colts went to the Super Bowl twice in the past four seasons but have stumbled early by their standards, giving up more than 30 points in separate losses to division rivals.

Offensively, however, Peyton Manning looks as strong as ever, averaging 321 passing yards per game and throwing 11 touchdowns against just two interceptions. The Redskins will need a better performance from a defense that is the third-worst against the pass in the NFL if they're going to keep the game close and finally give their fans that heart attack victory they've been threatening to inflict all season.

"He's a phenomenal quarterback," safety LaRon Landry said. "You've got to disguise [your coverage] and don't give up anything cheap." **ERIC BRANDNER**

AP

Last Calls

WEEK 1: A Cowboys touchdown is called back when Dallas' Alex Barron is called for a hold against the Redskins' Brian Orakpo, preserving the 13-7 win.

WEEK 2: Andre Johnson's touchdown catch with 2:03 sent the game into overtime, when the Texans bypassed going for a 52-yard kick — the same distance of a kick the Redskins later missed — but got the win when Neil Rackers drilled a 25-yard field goal with 3:24 left in the extra session.

WEEK 4: After building up a 14-0 lead in the first quarter, the Redskins weren't ensured a win against the Eagles until Kevin Kolb's Hail Mary bounced out of Jason Avant's hands and was intercepted by DeAngelo Hall.

WEEK 5: The Redskins went to overtime for the second time this season, this time pulling out a 16-13 win over the Packers. Graham Gano's 33-yard field goal capped a comeback effort that began after Washington fell behind 13-3 in the third quarter.

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3UP, 3DOWN

HOW THE REDSKINS COULD WIN OR LOSE THIS WEEK

THE REDSKINS WILL WIN IF ...

1 LaRon Landry wins defensive player of the week again. The safety's revival in the Redskins' new defense was best displayed last week, when he created two turnovers — the second of which led to the winning field goal. If Peyton Manning makes a rare mistake, Landry is the likeliest candidate to make a big play.

2 Return to "Fantasia" again. Just like Mickey Mouse, the Redskins are apprenticing under coach Mike Shanahan, and the results have been mixed. Yet the team stands at 3-2, which means it has captured a bit of magic. By year's end, Washington will need to master Shanahan's schemes, but for now, this enchanting ride is flying higher than most expected.

3 Ryan Torain gets going. The running back was ineffective filling in for Clinton Portis against Green Bay. Against Indianapolis, that can't happen. One of the best ways to stop Manning is to keep him off the field. A solid running game — which the Redskins have lacked all season — is the best way to eat up the clock.

THE REDSKINS WILL LOSE IF ...

1 The defense gets hit with a Hart attack. Behind former Michigan star Mike Hart, the Colts relied on a powerful running game to defeat the previously undefeated Chiefs. Washington must, obviously, prepare for Manning, but it can't ignore Hart and Indy's backfield if it wants to pull out the win.

2 The Colts get a hold of Brian Orakpo. The Redskins' second-year star has overcome opponent's frustrating tactics to make an impact in each game. That will never be more important than Sunday, since a strong pass rush could throw off Indy's timing and possibly lead to mistakes. Orakpo's calm amid the frustration of all the holds is admirable and something he can ill afford to lose.

3 Donovan McNabb can't find Chris Cooley. The tight end seems healthy and better than ever — at times — this year. But twice this season, Cooley has caught three balls or less. Given the team's weak receiving corps, that should never happen. Cooley is as good a target as McNabb has in Washington.

College Kickoffs

APRIL L. BROWN/AP

OHIO ST. (1) AT WISCONSIN (18)

Story Line: For the 94th time in school history, Ohio State is No. 1, but the Buckeyes haven't beaten anyone currently in the top 25 this year. Wisconsin has a major home-field advantage — the Badgers are 40-4 since 2004 at Camp Randall Stadium. **(7 P.M., ESPN)**

ARKANSAS (12) AT AUBURN (7)

Story Line: Razorbacks QB **Ryan Mallett**, who's already thrown six interceptions this year after seven all of last year, needs to cut down on the mistakes if Arkansas is to knock Auburn from the ranks of the unbeaten in the SEC West. **(3:30 P.M., CBS)**

OREGON ST. (24) AT WASHINGTON

Story Line: Despite a 3-2 overall record, Oregon State remains in the Pac 10 hunt without a conference loss. This marks the first of three-straight league games for Washington against top 25 opponents. **(10:15 P.M., ESPN)**

ALL GAMES PLAYED ON SATURDAY

MATT SLOCUM/AP

Roy Halladay will pitch Saturday for the first time since his playoff no-hitter.

Pitching the Name of the Game in the NLCS

MLB Playoffs

When the Philadelphia Phillies and San Francisco Giants meet in the NL championship series, runs could be awfully scarce.

These teams have perhaps the two best starting rotations in the majors. For the Phillies, it's Roy Halladay, Roy Oswalt and Cole Hamels. For the Giants, it's Tim Lincecum, Matt Cain and Jonathan Sanchez.

The Phillies feature three aces who have 11 All-Star games, one Cy Young Award, one NLCS MVP award, one World Series MVP award, one perfect game and one no-hitter on their impressive resumes.

8 P.M.
Sat. | FOX

The Giants' Big Three have combined for four All-Star games and two Cy Young awards.

Game 1 is Saturday night at Citizens Bank Park. Get set for the Freak versus Doc.

Halladay finished 21-10 with a 2.44 ERA in his first season in Philadelphia. He led the majors in wins, complete games (nine), shutouts (four) and innings (250 2-3). He threw a perfect game in May and nearly matched that in his playoff debut. He tossed the second no-hitter in postseason history in Game 1 of the division series against Cincinnati.

Lincecum rebounded from an up-and-down season in September after a career-worst five-start losing streak in August, and finished 16-10 with a 3.43 ERA. In his playoff debut, Lincecum tossed a two-hitter in San Francisco's 1-0 win over Atlanta. He struck out 14 in a masterful performance.

"It doesn't seem that too much can really get to him," Phillies slugger Ryan Howard said. "It's just a matter of being patient, trying to get a good pitch to hit and taking what we can get." **(AP)**

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Terps Face a Tough Road Ahead

Noon
Sat. | DC20

Terps Football

Maryland coach Ralph Friedgen can't help but be pleased with the 4-1 record his team carried into the recent bye week, citing the perseverance his Terrapins showed in getting out to one of the best starts in his 10-year tenure.

"It's more how we won the games than anything else," he said.

But what can't be discounted is where they won the games. Three of the Terrapins' four victories came at Byrd Stadium, while the fourth, a season-opening victory over Navy came in Baltimore.

The only time the team ventured outside Maryland's borders, it mustered a disappointing effort in a 31-17 loss to West Virginia.

ROB CARR/AP

Ralph Friedgen's Maryland Terrapins (4-2) have already doubled last year's win total.

The Terrapins will have to improve their road performance — and quickly. Saturday's trip to Clemson (2-3) is the first of four road games in a five-game stretch that, Friedgen admits, will go a long way toward deciding the outcome of Maryland's season. After Clemson, Maryland travels to Boston College, then comes home to face Wake Forest before heading back on the road against Miami and Virginia.

"It's something that, if we're gonna have a good football team, we have to be able to do," he said of playing well on the road. "That's really the next thing that has to happen. Embracing that environment, having the confidence and the poise to be able to deal with things will really help us down the road."

Clemson's Memorial Stadium is the largest in the ACC, and though Friedgen went out of his way this week to compliment the sportsmanship of Tigers fans, it is perhaps the conference's most inhospitable destination.

"West Virginia is hostile," junior receiver Torrey Smith said. "But Clemson is the loudest stadium I've ever played in. It's definitely going to be a tough challenge for us. We've got to be confident, go out there and focus on the 11 people in front of us, not the 80,000 that have the stadium shaking." **DEREK TURNER**

Bear Beats Out Adm. Ackbar as Ole Miss Mascot

College Sports

After all that, it's a bear. It has been more than a decade since the University of Mississippi began stripping away its images of the Old South. Confederate battle flags — the "Stars and Bars" — were the first to go. Next was mascot "Colonel Reb," the goateed Southern planter who cheered on the Rebels from the sidelines since 1979.

After seven years and plenty of bickering, his successor was named Thursday: "Rebel Black Bear" won 62 percent of the vote in a final poll and will become the new face of the school's athletic programs.

Picking a replacement became a matter of statewide import and the subject of online pranks, such as the suggestion of a "rebel" from the "Star Wars" movies, Admiral Ackbar. Other nominees were the "Rebel Land Shark" and the "Hotty Toddy." **(AP)**

Sunday Pick'Em

	Matt Swenson SPORTS EDITOR, EXPRESS	Clinton Yates SPORTS EDITOR, EXPRESS	Big Tigger MORNING SHOW HOST, 95.5 WPGC-FM	Arnie Applebaum GENERAL MANAGER, EXPRESS
COLTS (MINUS 3) AT REDSKINS	**REDSKINS** Back to opposites again this week — so bad news for perfect Peyton.	**COLTS** If the Redskins win this game, I'll bump them up from bad to respectable.	**REDSKINS** Peyton hasn't looked too hot, and they have lots of injuries.	**REDSKINS** Suddenly, A LOT harder a game to pick than we ever would have dreamed.
RAVENS (PLUS 2.5) AT PATRIOTS	**RAVENS** The NFL's best offense has a home game. Yup, that's a sure win.	**RAVENS** The Ravens have gotten better since the last time they crushed the Pats.	**RAVENS** The Ravens are on a roll and the two Rays (Lewis and Rice) will make it happen.	**RAVENS** Wow! I can't wait to watch this game. Ravens are the all-around real deal.
COWBOYS (PLUS 1.5) AT VIKINGS	**VIKINGS** Cowboys can't shoot straight, but Favre is sinking faster than the Titanic.	**VIKINGS** We've all seen how far Favre is willing to go when he's desperate.	**VIKINGS** I hate to pick the Cowboys, so I won't. Favre and Moss have something to prove.	**VIKINGS** Aka the Desperation Bowl. Both of these teams have to win.
FALCONS (PLUS 3) AT EAGLES	**EAGLES** Matt Ryan is bound to get the Falcons' offense flying high at some point.	**FALCONS** The Falcons only allow 14 PPG, and Michael Jenkins is finally back.	**FALCONS** The Falcons will win the battle of the birds.	**EAGLES** Did you know the Eagles have beat the Falcons by double digits the last two seasons?
DOLPHINS (PICK 'EM) AT PACKERS	**PACKERS** The Pack is so beat up that even the team doctor is out this week.	**DOLPHINS** The Fins have beat three-straight NFC opponents.	**DOLPHINS** The Dolphins will win against an injury-riddled Packers squad.	**DOLPHINS** The question all of America is asking: "Who the heck is Matt Flynn?"

Season Tally: Clinton Yates, 15-10; Big Tigger, 9-6; John Domen, 12-13; Matt Swenson 10-15; Dan Steinberg, 7-8; Arnie Applebaum, 6-9

Swengali

The Cold, Hard Truth About Arenas

The other day, I told my editor that my right wrist was sore and Clinton Yates should write a Swengali for me.

You can see Yates' football picks every week in Express, and he does the local section and compiles the Blog Log. But that's hardly enough time and space to prove his abilities, and I want to be a good co-worker.

By Matt Swenson

If Gilbert Arenas can do it, why not me?

It turns out Arenas can't — and he got fined for his little white lie this week.

Wizards coach Flip Saunders called it a trust issue in penalizing Arenas for faking a knee injury — a relatively minor infraction by the guard's standards.

If John Wall is to be the new Dark Knight ... Arenas has to be sent elsewhere.

The former All-Star has always played by his own rules. For a while, it was refreshing to see a pro athlete march to a different beat. His antics were so endearing that we ignored that Arenas was just feeding his own ego.

By now, it's obvious that beard or no beard, Agent Zero or Newbie Nine, Batman or Robin, Arenas needs to be the story. If John Wall is to be the new Dark Knight — the person who saves this franchise from itself — Arenas has to be sent elsewhere (I hear Metropolis has a few vacancies).

It's not even November, and we're in danger of another season being hijacked by the overpaid, attention-craving has-been.

Washington is better off without Arenas. That's the cold truth in this week when honesty was put at a premium.

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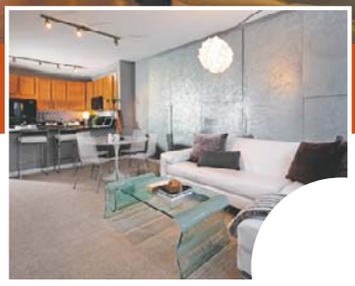

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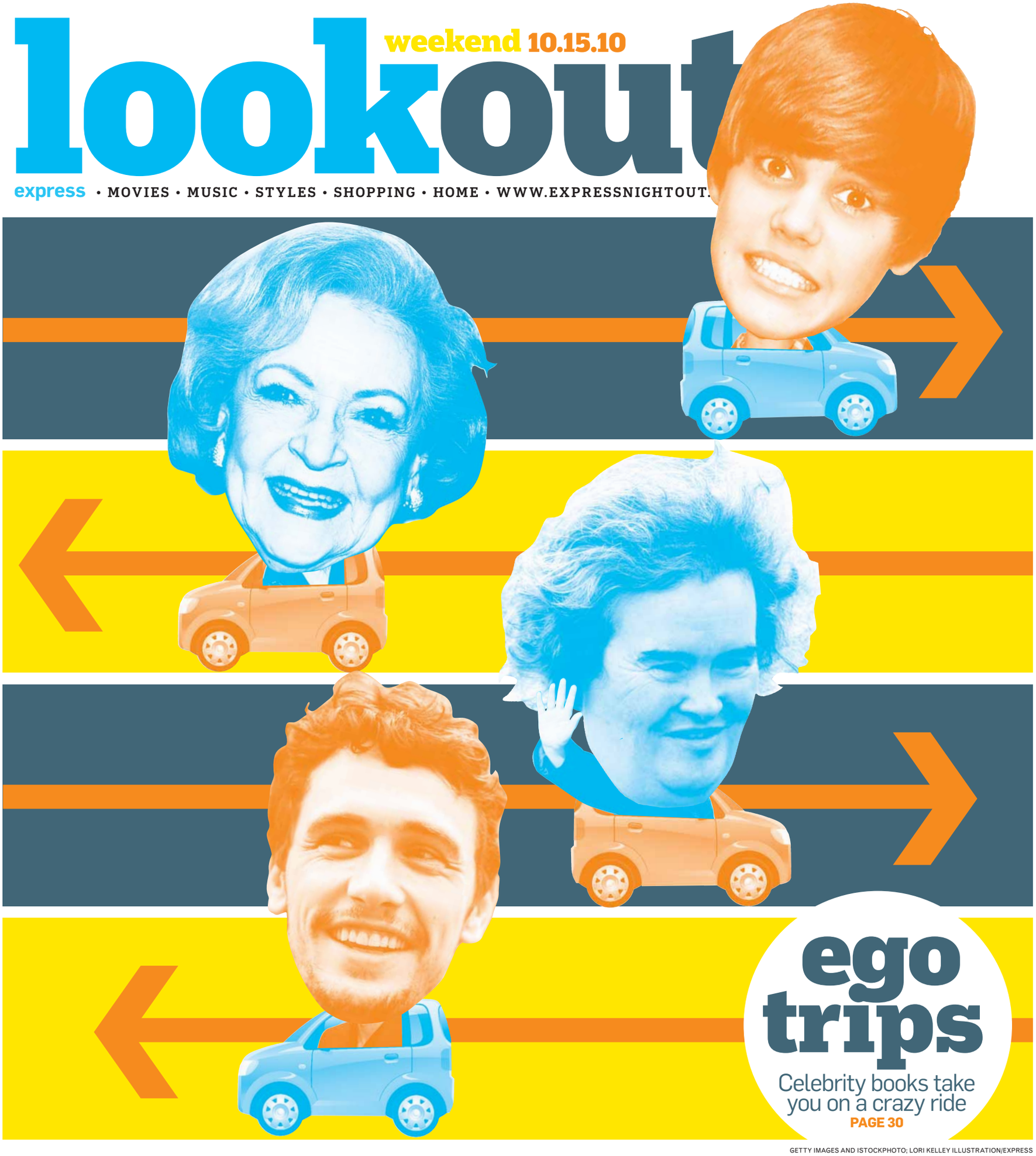

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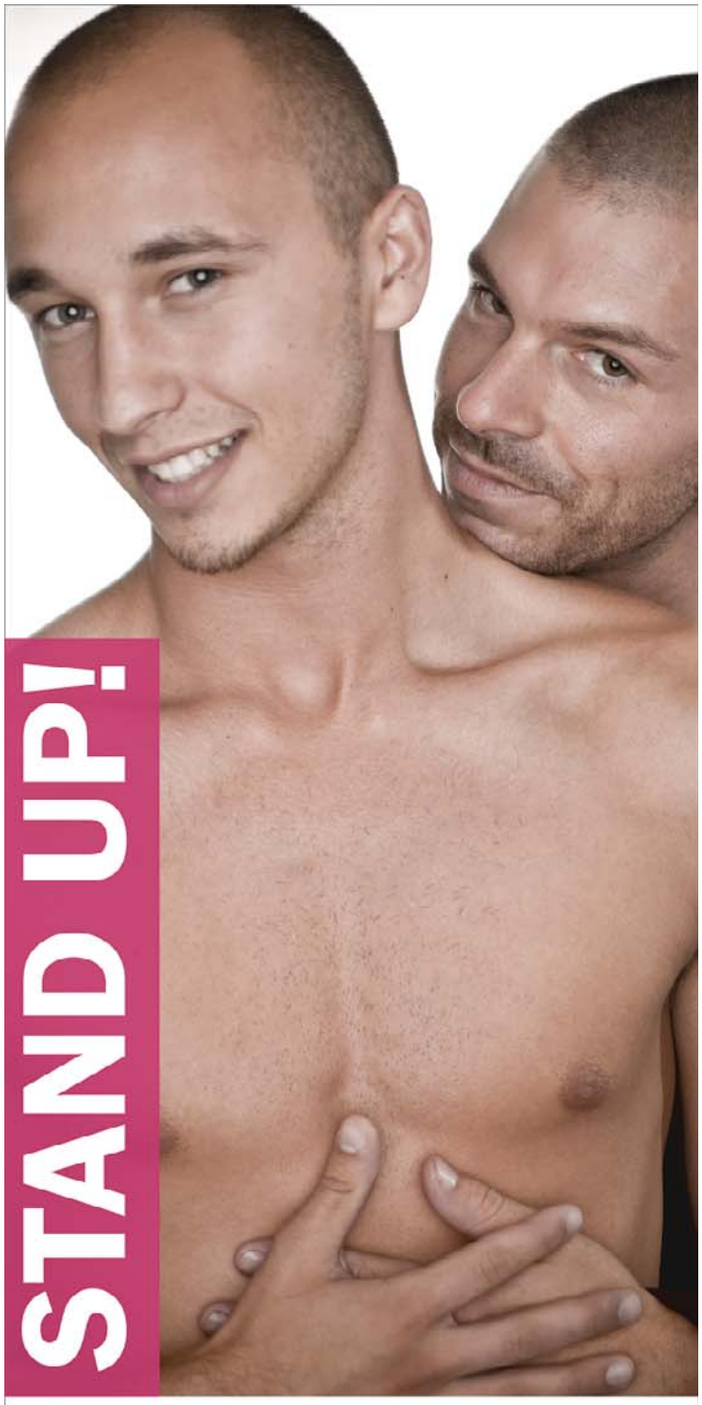

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Lauren Conrad

AUTHOR, DESIGNER, RECOVERING REALITY STAR

Lauren Conrad doesn't have time to do nothing anymore. "The Hills" never showed the former reality star staying in to pen lengthy tomes, but with three novels and her new how-to-dress manifesto, "Lauren Conrad: Style" ($20, Harper Collins), out now, nothing in this designer-turned-author's life is still unwritten.

Your suggestions for work clothing are surprising. No open-toe shoes?

Every industry is different. If you're just entering the workplace, you should always dress conservatively and play it safe. If it's more relaxed, then you can alter your style.

What was it like developing your style growing up on MTV?

The first few seasons that we filmed, we were a little oblivious to the outside world. But as the seasons went on, it provided opportunities for me to learn more about fashion through events, meeting designers and photo shoots.

Novelist. Designer. Reality star. How have you tackled all these different jobs?

I think you just do the things you love. I always wanted to do fashion. It was always my number one. With the books, it wasn't as expected. I think as long as you're doing things you love and it's still organic with your brand, it works.

How did you get the idea for your line LC Lauren Conrad at Kohl's?

I loved the idea of doing a more mass line. It was an opportunity to bring fun trends that I love to a really broad market for an affordable price. They're a fantastic company, and they really let me do things my way, which not everyone will let you do.

What's your personal style?

My personal style is girly, but still relaxed. I grew up at the beach and lived in flip-flops. I like to look polished, but for the most part it's a little more casual.

> **"My personal style is girly, but still relaxed. I grew up at the beach and lived in flip-flops."**

Do you have any style icons?

I don't, really. I'm constantly looking at people and admiring their style, but I don't really have a specific person that I really love or want to dress like.

You've written three novels and a style book. How do you discipline yourself to write?

I learned very quickly with the first book to have a schedule. I'm not the best at time management, so with my first book, there were definitely a few deadlines broken. So, the second time I was much better about keeping myself on a schedule.

Are there any authors who've influenced your writing style?

There isn't a specific one that influenced me. I like when you read a book and the author's voice comes through, so I was careful when I first started writing not to read a lot of books, because I didn't want to copy anyone else's style. I wanted it to sound like my own voice.

Have you ever had writer's block?

All the time.

KATHERINE BOYLE (EXPRESS)

Event Horizon | Tommy Hilfiger Fashion Show

All-American designer Tommy Hilfiger is hosting a runway fashion show featuring his own collection and styles by Imitation of Christ and Sir by Joanna Baum on Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. Proceeds will benefit multiple sclerosis research and services. Tickets $200; purchase at Msandyou.org. The Washington Club, 15 Dupont Circle NW.

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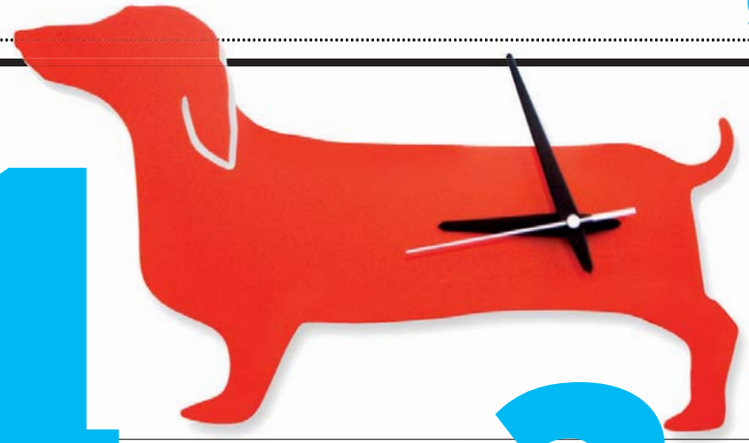
Grab Bag

1 Having a Ruff Time

THE LINE BETWEEN whimsical and wacked-out blurs when it comes to pet-themed home accessories. Italian ceramic cat bowl? Good boy! Stuffed Scottie dog dolls dressed as fairy-tale characters? No treats for you. Naked Decor's Hot Dog clock ($59) and two-part dachshund pillows ($55 per dog half) let you say, "I wuv my wittle puppykins" without sacrificing your mod cred. The locally made line, just in at RCKNDY (1515 U St. NW; 202-332-5639), also includes bolsters shaped like Big Ben ($55).



2 First Ladylike

FANCY STATE DINNERS and mile-long motorcades may be out of reach, but you can copy the casual dress of Mrs. O by picking up Lolly by Obvious Clothing's houndstooth belted cardigan ($245, Lettie Gooch, 1517 U St. NW; 202-332-4242). The first lady rocked two of Lolly's cashmere separates this past week after a Camp David excursion, proving that compromise (between comfort and style, at least) can happen in the District.

3 A Seed Story

THE FARMERS MARKETS seem to have run out of everything except turnips and mushrooms lately. But Robert Rothschild Farm's new Cilantro Jalapeno Mustard ($7.25, Robertrothschild.com) retains the flavor of summer. The piquant, peppery stuff tastes great in salad dressings or on turkey sandwiches. You can also slather it on the unseasonal hot dogs you insist on fixing on the grill even when its 60 degrees and raining outside.

4 Looking at You, Kid

WATCH YOUR BACK, Baby Bjorn. Utilitarian tot-toters were fine for Gen X parents, but millennials are a craftier, chicer lot. Baby Hawk kid carriers ($85-$145, Babyhawk.com) come in hipster prints (skulls, camouflage, mid-century dots) and boast comfy, wide straps. You even can design your own from dozens of organic cotton fabrics if little Olive or Max expresses a prodigal interest in fashion.

5 Swiftly Swiff

IF ROOMBA is the frolicking pup of the robot vacuum world, Mint ($250, Mintcleaner.com) is the quiet, elusive cat. The tiny floor friend — about the size of two smallish laptops stacked on top of each other — near-silently goes about its business of dusting or mopping hard floors, using either wet or dry microfiber cloths (three included) or regular Swiffer-type dusters tidily held by a snap-in magnetic panel.

Dear Manolo

ANSWERS FROM THE SHOE BLOGGER

Have you heard of the Miss Sinergy pageant? It raises money for the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation. (I'm hosting the event in D.C. this weekend.) Have you ever written about what shoes to wear in a beauty pageant?
— DAN RENZI

Manolo says ayyyyy! It is the letter from the reality-television-star-turned-writer Dan Renzi, of the "Real World: Miami" and other such amusing bits of MTV-generated content, and he is asking the Manolo the question about the beauty pageants! Reality television, beauty pageants and shoes! If this is not the ultimate con-

fluence of everything fabulous, then the Manolo does not know what is.

The Manolo could write the whole book about what sort of shoes should be worn by the would-be beauty queens. The shoes must embody super fantasticness but also allow the contestant to glide gracefully across the stage without the danger of toppling over onto her sash.

In this hypothetical book about the shoes for the beauty pageants, there would be many chapters devoted to properly matching the shoe to the event. The shoes for the Ms. Oily Butter Coconut Sun Bikini Tart would be very different from those for Miss Sinergy, who will be crowned in the enjoyably decorous event held at the Swedish Embassy's House of Sweden Saturday. (See Misssinergy.com.)

Look! Here is the Whirl from the Stuart Weitzman ($375, Zappos.com), perfect for striding to pageant glory.

Ask the Manolo a question at manolo@shoeblogs.com. Visit the Manolo at shoeblogs.com.

Grab Bag is gathered and reviewed by Jennifer Barger, Katherine Boyle and staff. Find more food, fashion, beauty and home finds at expressnightout.com/grabbag

lookout books

Voyage to the Stars

NICOLE "SNOOKI" POLIZZI is writing a book as visits to a seedy town in Jersey surge. Forks, Wash., the setting of "Twilight," now rakes in tourist dollars. And holy spots such as Graceland and Paris Hilton's home (the latter if you're a stalker or thief) are reliably fun. All that adds up to a perfectly good reason for our exclusive on new celebrity books and the pilgrimages they could inspire. KATIE ABERBACH, KATHERINE BOYLE, HOLLY J. MORRIS AND FIONA ZUBLIN (EXPRESS)

James Franco

"Palo Alto" ($24, Scribner)

James Franco's short-story collection makes clear that looking like James Dean does not make you James Joyce. But this road trip is easy, because it's all in or near Palo Alto, Calif.

Knott's Berry Farm, Buena Park, Calif.: One of the thinly disguised stand-ins for Franco visits this tourist trap.

University Avenue, Palo Alto: A character we hope is NOT a stand-in for Franco pimps out an underage girl at a café on this street. If you find this café, leave immediately: Everyone who works there is a sociopath or worse.

Children's Library, Palo Alto: One character spends afternoons here reading kids' books and arguing about which beloved characters are gay. Rabbits are. F.Z.

Betty White

"Here We Go Again" ($15, Scribner)

White's concise self-history depicts a life of hard work. The "Golden Girl" cut her teeth in radio advertising and movies, and rose to fame on TV programs such as "Hollywood on Television" and "The Betty White Show."

Beverly Hills High School: Ponder the state of public education today at White's alma mater, where she sang at her graduation in 1939.

The High Sierras: Nature-watch in the mountain range where White bonded with bear cubs and filmed her first movie, "The Daring Miss Jones" (1951).

245 South Saltair Ave., Los Angeles: The "Golden Girls" Miami abode was modeled on this Brentwood house. It's reportedly well-hidden behind tall foliage and a wall, so bring a periscope. K.A.

Susan Boyle

"The Woman I Was Born to Be" ($26, Scribner)

The sturdy Scot siren has found a voice beyond "I Dreamed a Dream." She drops factoids about "Britain's Got Talent" (she almost had to sing Celine Dion) and a mundane childhood (her favorite stuffed animal was named Boo Boo).

Blackburn, Scotland: Susan lived in anonymity here with her cat, Pebbles. Visit Our Lady of Lourdes and St. Kentigern's, the schools where she was bullied as a child.

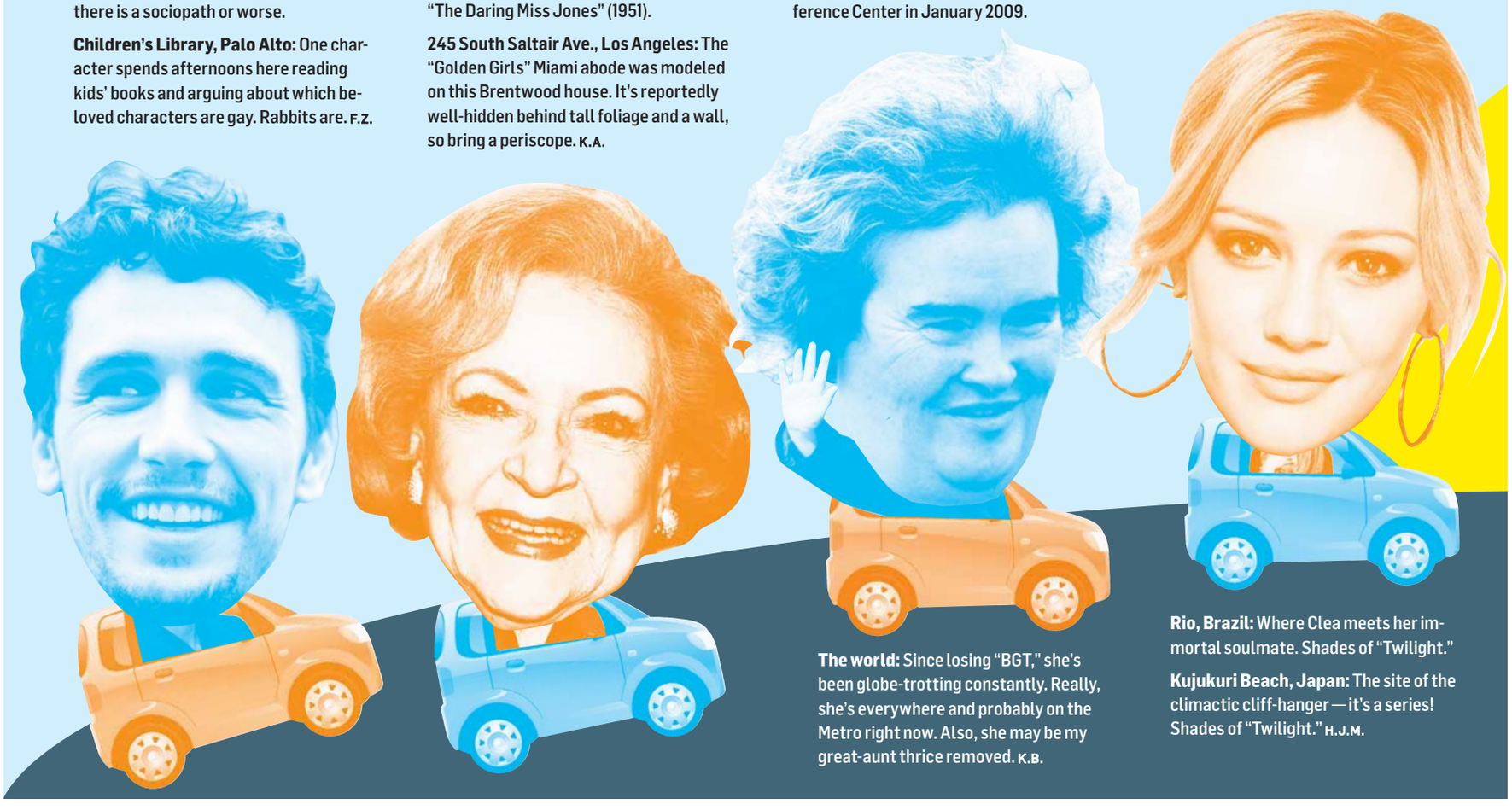
Glasgow, Scotland: She auditioned for "BGT" at the Scottish Exhibition and Conference Center in January 2009.

Hilary Duff

"Elixir: A Novel" ($18, Simon & Schuster)

Unlike fellow Booker Prize short-lister Lauren Conrad (see our FaceTime on Page 28), Duff chose to write not an autobiography but a young-adult fantasy. Unless Duff is part of a worldwide supernatural conspiracy, in which case it's all true. The best thing we can say about it is that there are no vampires.

Niantic, Conn.: The small, wet, coastal hometown of the heroine, a 17-year-old named Clea. Shades of "Twilight."



The world: Since losing "BGT," she's been globe-trotting constantly. Really, she's everywhere and probably on the Metro right now. Also, she may be my great-aunt thrice removed. K.B.

Rio, Brazil: Where Clea meets her immortal soulmate. Shades of "Twilight."

Kujukuri Beach, Japan: The site of the climactic cliff-hanger — it's a series! Shades of "Twilight." H.J.M.

books lookout

Justin Bieber

"First Step 2 Forever: My Story" ($22, Harper)

You know you're in trouble when you're padding what's essentially a large-print edition of Tiger Beat with call-out boxes containing memorable tweets. Also, the cover is a poster (and now our dartboard).

Stratford, Ontario: The heartthrob's hometown offers a self-guided tour at Welcometostratford.com/spring/justin-bieber.html.

Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport: Bieber's first airplane flight ever landed here. Now-manager Scooter Braun picked him up and took him to meet Usher, who later launched the teen's career.

Russell Brand

"Booky Wook 2: This Time It's Personal" ($27, It Books)

Brand's follow-up to his New York Times best-seller (take that, Jonathan Franzen!) is another symphony of name-dropping and sex. We hear the working title was "Waste-y Disgrace-y 2: This Is Time We'll Never Get Back."

1 Leicester Square, London: The comedian hosted the aptly named chat show "1 Leicester Square."

Rhein Energie Stadium, Cologne, Germany: Brand and Keith Richards kibitzed here before a Rolling Stones show. Now we don't feel so bad that Einstein and Darwin never met.

Rick Springfield

"Late, Late at Night" ($26, Touchstone)

The upbeat musical stylings of the "Jessie's Girl"-crooner came out of a lifelong struggle with depression he calls "The Darkness," and his candid memoir teems with despair. And! Springfield himself told us exactly where his devotees should go.

Goldsworth Primary School, Woking, Surrey, U.K.: A 20-minute train ride from London is the elementary school where Springfield claims he "first kissed a girl and first touched a guitar." He calls it "House of Horrors."

13 Subiaco Court, Syndal, Victoria, Australia: The military brat's eventual home, where "all my teenage [expletive] went down." Don't miss the shed in which "I tried to hang myself and discovered music."

Malibu, Calif.: To truly understand the self-described family man, followers would have to meet his longtime wife, Barbara, at their home. "But they can't!" he notes gleefully. For (much) more with Springfield, visit Expressnightout.com. K.B.

Dionne Warwick

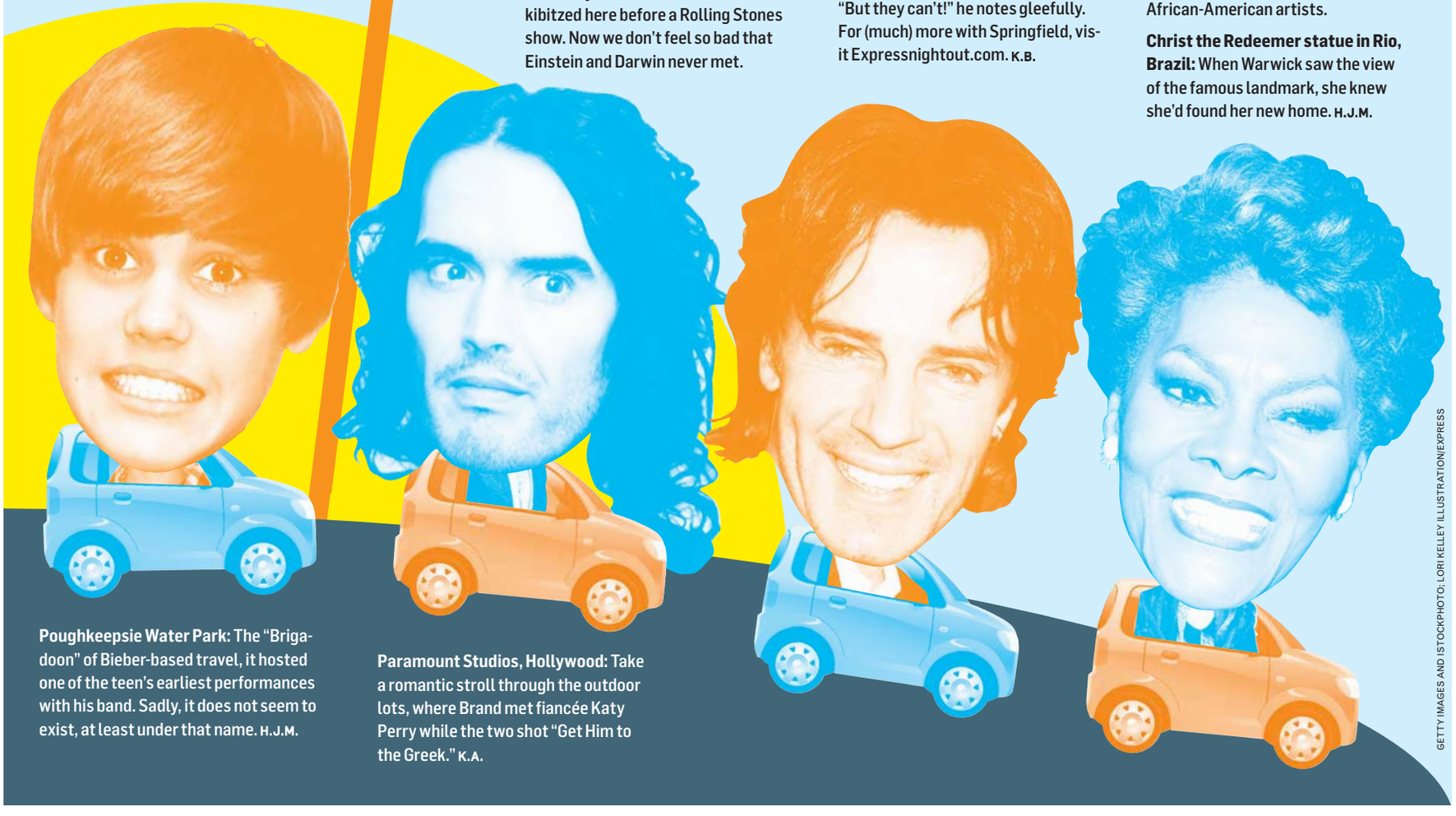
"My Life, as I See It" ($26, Atria, out Nov. 2)

She's too dignified to be in the company of Brand and Biebs, but we needed a classy lady to keep Betty White company. List-lovers will appreciate the nine appendices, including a roster of the music legend's honorary doctorates. The take-home messages are easily spotted, as each chapter ends with "Dionne's Lessons Learned."

St. Luke's AME Church, Newark, N.J.: Warwick first sang for a large group at this house of worship, where her grandfather was the reverend. She was 6 years old.

The Royal Peacock, Atlanta: The songstress bombed her solo performance here. The next night, she "bridged the gap" between pop and blues/R&B, breaking new ground for African-American artists.

Christ the Redeemer statue in Rio, Brazil: When Warwick saw the view of the famous landmark, she knew she'd found her new home. H.J.M.



Poughkeepsie Water Park: The "Brigadoon" of Bieber-based travel, it hosted one of the teen's earliest performances with his band. Sadly, it does not seem to exist, at least under that name. H.J.M.

Paramount Studios, Hollywood: Take a romantic stroll through the outdoor lots, where Brand met fiancée Katy Perry while the two shot "Get Him to the Greek." K.A.

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lookout home

Dueling Decor

Live in chic harmony with a roommate or spouse by merging your stuff and styles

Nest Dressed

Like many co-habitating couples, Elizabeth Jackson and her husband don't always agree on home decor. Fortunately, they rarely see red. It's usually darker, cooler shades.

"I go for green; he goes for blue," says Jackson, 42, of her and her husband's taste in furnishings for their three-bedroom Vienna, Va., Tudor home. "Sometimes, we do neither. I wanted a green couch for the den, and we already had a blue one in the living room. We eventually compromised on an orange sectional."

Anybody living with a significant other or a roommate knows that coming up with a mutually agreeable decor is a game of give and take. You can't hurry love — or interior design.

Still, whether you're trying to blend your style with that of your new roomie or your better half, the decorating process presents plenty of reasons to worry. What if the pal who's splitting the rent with you hates your mod coffee table or tea kettle collection? Whose pots and pans get to rest in prime cabinet real estate — your sleek and shiny Williams-Sonoma set or his functional but mismatched Ikea products?

Ultimately, there's no right answer, but there is a wrong one: "Don't take one stance and say, 'It's got to be this way,'" says Libby Langdon, an interior designer and star of HGTV's "Small Space, Big Style." "Think of your furnishings as an eclectic mix. One person doesn't have to fit into the other person's style. In design, people have gotten away from matchy-matchy."

Langdon's top tips for merging styles revolve around building — rather than burning — bridges. In common rooms, people can be afraid to hang up personal artwork or photos, especially if they're not already friendly with each other. But Langdon says everybody's stuff could go up to form one massive collage.

And paint can be a magic equalizer. If all of your group housemates bring in a differently shaped lamp or coffee table, just spray-paint everything the same hue: high-gloss white for a clean, cottage-chic look, slick black for a contempo Tokyo-cool.

Sometimes, blending everything in to the same scheme isn't as important as simply fitting things in. Meghan Hufstader, 30, found that when she and her two friends moved into a four-bedroom Vienna house, the challenge was paring down their possessions.

"It makes you really take a look at what you need," says Hufstader, who works for a consulting firm. She and her roomies had each brought more than enough kitchen supplies and furniture from years of living alone. So, the majority of their merging work involved sorting, stashing and trashing. "I donated six boxes of clothes, some dishes and some bedding — all of us did," she says.

Once their overflow was managed, decorating individual bedrooms and bathrooms wasn't touchy. But agreeing upon living room styling raised tensions in the house for a few weeks. In the end, the trio found that the most obvious solution was communication. "Stay vocal," Hufstader says. When they disagreed over wall art, "we talked about it and came to a consensus that way."

And when all else fails, throw a party, Hufstader says. "It forces you to have a deadline" for finishing the move-in — not to mention an incentive to make your pad as crowd-pleasing as possible. KATIE ABERBACH (EXPRESS)

Before and After

If you have roommates or a spouse, merging styles requires thinking outside the box store, as in this room where HGTV designer Libby Langdon reused an Asian screen as artwork and repurposed bed linens as sofa pillow covers.

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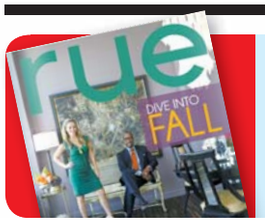
— LIBBY LANGDON OF HGTV'S "SMALL SPACE, BIG STYLE"



Mixed Media | Rue Magazine

Domino mag mourners — until recently mainly comforted by Lonny (Lonnymag.com) and blogs — now have another online glossy. Breezy click-through Rue (Ruemag.com) shows off inspiring (but not overly expensive) interiors including a San Fran blogger's flea market-chic apartment and a D.C. flat occupied by artists.

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Gross Misconduct

There was a press preview for "Jackass: 3D," which opens today, but it was at 10 p.m. Thursday. That's not exactly a vote of confidence.

I don't care. I'm still seeing the movie, because those guys are freaking funny. Most of the time.

I don't care for gross-out humor.

By Kristen Page-Kirby

I'm a sympathetic vomiter, so anyone throwing up or thinking about throwing up anywhere near me usually gets a surprise puking partner.

But I love Chris Pontius and Steve-O. I am a huge fan of their now-defunct wildlife "educational" series "Wildboyz," and I dare you not to laugh when they put on a zebra costume and prance merrily through a game preserve, confusing the lionesses that abound (the "Is this food?" expressions on the felines' faces look precisely like my cat's did when I brought my son home from the hospital).

"Jackass" and "Wildboyz" are comical because not only do we know that Johnny Knoxville, Steve and Chris will probably get hurt, but because they do, too. It's a clown slipping on a banana peel — but this time the clown puts the peel on the sidewalk. And then greases it. And then runs at it while wearing a gorilla suit.

Yeah, the late-night preview doesn't bode well for the quality of the film. But this is the most basic of comedies: Guy gets shot practically into space while in a porta-potty, I go home happy.

@ Comments? Give Kristen your feedback: **expressnightout.com/thereelist**

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Robert De Niro, left, holds the key to Edward Norton's freedom. The jury's also still out on Norton's prison-fabulous new 'do.

Tough to Crack

Moody, suspenseful 'Stone' is crushed by its own exaggerated philosophical weight

Film Review

Say this about "Stone": When it's good, it's very good. And this twisty, atmospheric drama is at its best when Edward Norton takes center screen as the title character, a convicted arsonist trying to wheedle an early release from a career prison parole officer named Jack, played by Robert De Niro.

The last time the two actors worked together was on the terrific and sadly underrated thriller "The Score," in 2001. Unfortunately, fans of that movie hoping to see a similarly crafty game of cat-and-mouse in "Stone" will be only fitfully rewarded.

Admittedly, the two have their share of electrifying duets, when Stone sits across from Jack's desk, trying to get into the buttoned-up bureaucrat's head. But, ultimately, "Stone" sags under its own overblown philosophical weight, with a strained and painfully obvious spiritual subtext smothering what could have been a simple and effective psychological thriller.

Norton is next to unrecognizable as Stone, who, when he meets Jack, possesses a clear command of street vernacular. "She's a dime, dog," he drawls. He's describing his wife, Lucetta (Milla Jovovich), and she's indeed a 10 (but not an angel). As Stone tries to convince Jack that he's a changed man — with the help of Lucetta, who lobbies Jack with baby-voiced earnestness after hours — it's difficult to tell whether his professions of newfound faith are on the level or the words of a well-rehearsed psychopath.

In a turn similar to his astonishing 1996 debut in "Primal Fear," Norton proves adept at keeping his own quiet focus even while his character keeps the audience guessing. This is the actor's finest, most nuanced performance in years. De Niro's Jack, a paragon of repressed Midwestern rage, is less convincing, if only because his New York accent is at odds with his foursquare Michigan bureaucrat, but mostly because Jack loses credibility as his journey becomes a parable rather than recognizably human.

"Stone" depends on sudden epiphanies and sordid moments of breathtaking self-destruction for much of its dramatic momentum. The result is a film that feels more written than lived.

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Deep Thoughts With Edward Norton

It seems like this movie could have been set in any time period because of its biblical imagery and classic story line. So, why was it set during the present day?

People relate to things that reflect the context of their lives. I wasn't sure I could even do it, and [director] John [Curran] said, "No, we have to do this right now." Our country was going through this experience of all these assumed structures of solidity coming down. I think the Platonic notion, of almost a classical form of dialogue, is true. [Mythology expert] Joseph Campbell makes that point really astutely. And his whole thing is that the storyteller has to perpetually re-contextualize the story so that people can recognize themselves in it. He has that whole thing about transparency: If a thing loses its contextual relationship to the thing around it, then it becomes opaque. But if it reflects the world around them, then it becomes transparent, and they can say, "Oh, this is really about me." And I think John's urgency to relate it to the landscape of what people are going through right now was smart.

KATHERINE BOYLE (EXPRESS)

● *Read our full, perplexing interview with Edward Norton at Expressnightout.com.*

Stone (R)

- **Director:** John Curran
- **Stars:** Edward Norton, Robert De Niro, Milla Jovovich, Frances Conroy
- **In a Nutshell:** A convicted arsonist tries to persuade a career prison parole officer to release him early, enlisting his wife's help.
- **For Fans of:** "The Score," "The Painted Veil," "Primal Fear."

Armed and Aging

Bruce Willis rejects a relaxing retirement in the action-packed, lighthearted 'Red'

Film Review

"Red" joins a long and mostly undistinguished line of recent movies whose upper-middle-aged stars play AARP members who refuse to go gently into genteel cinematic dotage. But unlike "Wild Hogs" or last summer's "Expendables," this adaptation of the "Red" graphic novel series gets into a cool, sophisticated swing.

The hip vibe and quirky characters of "Red" seem less inspired by Sylvester Stallone than by Steven Soderbergh in his "Out of Sight" phase; the one-liners zing right along with the bullets in a playful pas de deux of mayhem, misdirection and mordant humor.

Bruce Willis plays Frank, a former black ops agent who, as "Red" opens, is living in quiet desperation in Cleveland and enjoying a long-distance phone flirtation with Sarah (Mary-Louise Parker), the warm-voiced woman who mails his retirement check. When Frank is unexpectedly visited by a lethal "wet team," he realizes his life is in danger and he seeks to re-assemble his old cohort of covert assassins: Joe (Morgan Freeman), who Frank busts out of a nursing home in New Orleans; Marvin (John Malkovich), who's living in flashback-induced paranoia somewhere in the Gulf Coast swamplands; and Victoria, who arranges roses and bakes tea cakes but longs to get back into the life of ordnance and kill shots.

Nothing is remotely credible or humanly possible in "Red," which takes Frank and Sarah (along for the ride first as an unwilling aide de camp, then as an eager newbie) on a mad tear through most of the United States east of the Mississippi. But director Robert Schwentke ("Flightplan") knows his way around taut action, and the script, by Jon and Erich Hoeber, keeps even the most preposterous moments afloat with breezy, unforced wit.

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Bruce Willis, left, John Malkovich and Helen Mirren amuse themselves with firearms.

Red (PG-13)

- **Director:** Robert Schwentke
- **Stars:** Bruce Willis, Mary-Louise Parker, Morgan Freeman, John Malkovich, Helen Mirren
- **In a Nutshell:** A former black ops agent tries to reunite his old team of assassins in this campy action flick.
- **For Fans Of:** "The Expendables," "Scott Pilgrim vs. the World"

John Lennon's Growing Pains

'Nowhere Boy' sheds light on the rocker's tough teenage years

Film Review

Photographer Sam Taylor-Wood is part of the Young British Artists who became stars in the 1990s, her work causing the occasional cultural ruckus. For London's National Portrait Gallery, she made the controversial decision to submit a video of soccer star David Beckham sleeping. Earlier, along with fellow YBA Henry Bond, she re-enacted Annie Leibovitz's famous portrait of John Lennon and Yoko Ono entwined on a bed.

Cheeky! Which makes it all the more surprising that Taylor-Wood has played it safe and made a conventional biopic with "Nowhere Boy," her feature debut about the early life of Lennon. Although Aaron Johnson ("Kick-Ass") delivers an affecting performance as a confused Liverpool teenager, the movie succumbs to maudlin sentiment and melodrama Lennon himself might have dismissed.

"Nowhere Boy" opens with the same exhilarating dissonant chord that begins "Hard Day's Night," as a 15-year-old Lennon and a chum run the Liverpool streets and greenswards in 1955. At home, the mood is a bit more dour, as Aunt Mimi (Kristin Scott Thomas) rules the roost with post-war stiff-upper-lipism and Uncle George (David Threlfall) offers shots of mordant humor and a nip from his flask.

Within these cozy if austere confines, Lennon is carrying a torch: He longs for the distant Julia (Anne-Marie Duff), his fiery red-headed mother who abandoned him at 5 and who, he discovers in early scenes, lives just blocks away.

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Aaron Johnson channels a teenage John Lennon channeling Elvis Presley.

Nightlife Agenda

BY FRITZ HAHN, RHOME ANDERSON AND DAVID MALITZ

FRIDAY

Last time the **POINTS** had a show scheduled for D.C., it simply didn't happen. So, perhaps there will be some extra mayhem in store when the local punk hell-raisers storm the Velvet Lounge ($8; 915 U St. NW; 202-462-3213). Expect the usual whirlwind of punk-rock fury.

The five-and-a-half acre Yards Park (Third and Water streets SE) opened along the Anacostia River last month, just upstream from Nationals Park, with playgrounds, water fountains, trails and a dog park. On Friday night, though, it'll be the setting for **A NIGHT AT THE YARDS** ($75-$135), a fundraiser for Living Classrooms (7 p.m.; Livingclassroomsdc.org), a nonprofit organization that offers hands-on education and job skills training to local students and young adults, and even runs its own charter school. Entertainment comes from two New Orleans acts, the **RADIATORS** and **BIG SAM'S FUNKY NATION**, while 30 Washington restaurants — including Ted's Bulletin, Cantina Marina, District Chophouse and Matchbox — supply food and drink.

PJ SYKES

The Points have promised they'll actually play at the Velvet Lounge on Friday night.

SATURDAY

After last Saturday's wildly popular Burst party, Rosslyn's new Artisphere (1101 Wilson Blvd.) welcomes D.C.'s favorite experimental/art-music DJs, **BLUEBRAIN**, who can seriously keep a dance floor moving when they're not coming up with unusual ideas like a boom box parade on the Mall or creating programs that make ambient soundscapes with iTunes tracks. There are "some surprises in store," although some cats are already out of the bag. Tickets are $15, and the event is open to all ages.

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BURIED (R, 95 minutes) From its very first moments, "Buried" lets viewers know they're in for something different — and disturbing. With the screen in complete darkness, we initially hear only bumping, then a man panting and groaning. Finally, the flick of a lighter: It's Paul Conroy (Ryan Reynolds), an American contractor in Iraq who has been kidnapped, buried and held for ransom, with air for only 90 minutes. With the screen often blanking out into unsettling black and the sound of sifting sand and other unwelcome intrusions ramping up the anxiety level, "Buried" delivers the kind of immediate experience too often missing in movies. **A.H.**

OVERTURE FILMS

Chloe Grace Moretz makes a creepy companion to a young loner in "Let Me In."

CATFISH (PG, 86 minutes) An often jarringly intimate film about a young man's odyssey through virtual life and love on the Internet, this documentary morphs into a mystery in which technology plays a crucial role. The whole story is captured with a digital video camera, constantly filming main character Nev Schulman. In 2007, when one of Schulman's photographs was published in a New York newspaper, he received a Facebook message from an 8-year-old girl asking permission to re-create the image in a painting. When she sent him the picture, Schulman was impressed and began a correspondence with the prodigy, eventually "friending" her entire family — including her attractive older sister, Megan. **A.H.**

DESPICABLE ME (PG, 95 minutes) The nasty streak that animates its protagonist, a hollow-eyed supervillain named Gru (voiced by Steve Carell), is so deep and wide as to seem insurmountable. But the film turns into an improbably heartwarming, not to mention visually delightful, diversion. After another evildoer impresses the world by stealing

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the Great Pyramid of Giza, Gru looks for his big comeback and hits on the idea of stealing the moon. He adopts three sweet girls from an orphanage run by a sadistic Southern belle (Kristen Wiig), and, along with an army of tiny yellow "minions," begins to bring his plan into action. **A.H.**

EASY A (PG-13, 92 minutes) The film opens with Olive (Emma Stone) broadcasting a confession over the Internet, recounting the sordid episodes that caused her current predicament of friendlessness with a side of bad reputation. It all started with a lie to get out of camping with her friend's hippie parents. But her excuse spirals into a tale of "sexy Glade candles" and lost virginity. After that piece of gossip blankets the school, guys are suddenly bombarding Olive with attention. But when she agrees to help a bullied gay friend by pretending to sleep with him, she learns that there's a thin line between sexy and slutty. **STEPHANIE MERRY**

HEARTBREAKER (NR, 109 minutes) This delightful French romantic comedy is all about planting ideas in someone else's head. Except in this movie, the man who does it works while you're wide awake. That would be Alex (Romain Duris), the handsome heartbreaker of the title. With his team of two assistants (Julie Ferrier and François Damiens, playing Alex's

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sister Mélanie and brother-in-law Marc), he hires himself out as a professional seducer of women around the world, making women realize that they don't really love their partner. Unfortunately, the team is broke, and Alex agrees to compromise his ethics, accepting the task of breaking up a happy couple. **M.O.**

IT'S KIND OF A FUNNY STORY (PG-13, 101 minutes) There's very little that's even kind of funny in "It's Kind of a Funny Story," which can't accurately be described as a comedy but isn't a true drama, either. Keir Gilchrist stars as a Brooklyn high school student named Craig, who, pronouncing himself overwhelmed by "grades, girls, two wars, impending environmental catastrophe and an imploding economy," commits himself to psychiatric care at a hospital. The youth ward is full, so Craig spends five days in the adult ward, where he learns lessons about life and growing up from its motley clientele, including Emma Roberts and Zach Galifianakis. **A.H.**

LEGEND OF THE GUARDIANS: THE OWLS (PG, 90 minutes) "Through our gizzards, the voices of the ages whisper to us, and tell us what's right," intones a dignified owl in the sepulchral tones inflections of Hugo Weaving. How you respond to this bit of feathery hokum will determine how you'll feel about this film. Does its majesty send a shiver up your spine? Or does the very idea of an animated owl delivering this line induce — pardon me — hoots of laughter? The animated film follows two owlet brothers whose destinies come into conflict. **D.K.**

LET ME IN (R, 115 minutes) Owen (Kodi Smit-McPhee) is a 12-year-old loner. He strikes up a tentative friendship with Abby (Chloe Grace Moretz), a girl who appears to be about his age, when she moves into the apartment next door with her weary-looking father (Richard Jenkins). Except that he may not be her father. At times, Abby treats the man more like a servant. And he obliges, making midnight runs to the convenience store parking lot for blood, drained from high-school jocks. Owen, meanwhile, has been getting picked on. Abby, who has by now befriended Owen, doesn't like this. **M.O.**

LIFE AS WE KNOW IT (PG-13, 112 minutes) A married couple with a baby dies in a tragic car accident, leaving their adorably orphaned, 1-year-old daughter in the care of her hot single godparents. Except the godparents — Josh Duhamel and Katherine Heigl — never even knew about, let alone agreed to, this arrangement in the first place and hate each other's guts. Sounds like your life, right? Holly Berenson (Heigl) and Eric Messer (Duhamel) — or "Mess," as he is aptly known —move in together and try to make the best of a stupid situation. **A.H.**

NEVER LET ME GO (R, 103 minutes) Director Mark Romanek's film epitomizes the kind of somber, aesthetically refined and morally engaged film that commands

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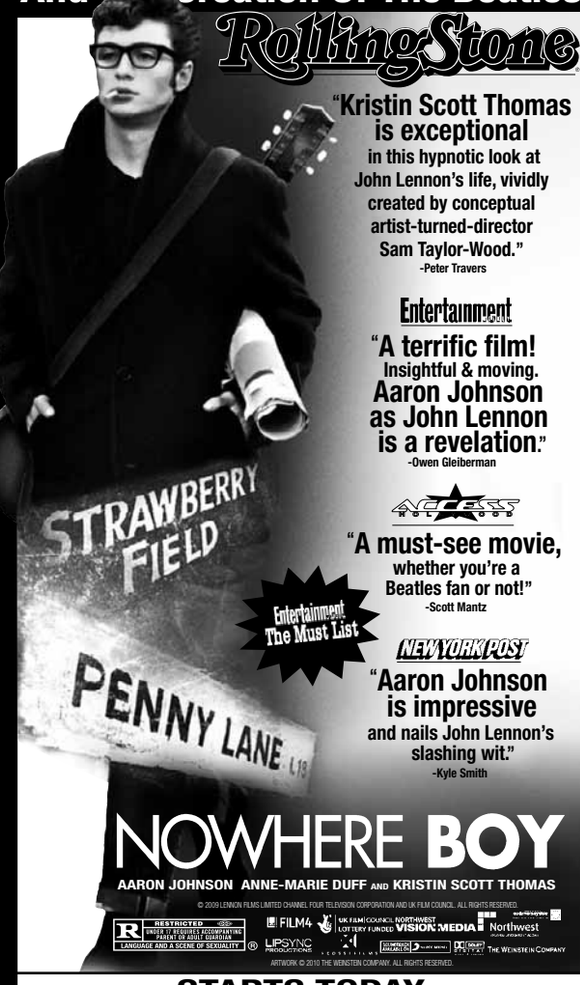

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deep respect without inspiring much affection. Adapted from the highly regarded novel by Kazuo Ishiguro, this ambitiously restrained film will most likely please fans of the book's dire speculative vision. The story is narrated by Kathy (Carey Mulligan), who, as the movie opens, explains that she started her young life in the 1970s, at a well-tended British boarding school called Hailsham. There, she befriended Ruth (Keira Knightley) and Tommy (Andrew Garfield), who along with Kathy live in a world that, while in many ways sequestered and pampered, has a castoff quality to it. **A.H.**

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Sophie endures the baby-sitting blahs with Josh Duhamel in "Life as We Know It."

SECRETARIAT (PG, 116 minutes) It's tough to guess who will enjoy "Secretariat" more — filmgoers who remember the extraordinary events of 1973, when the chestnut 3-year-old won the first Triple Crown in 25 years, or those for whom the story is brand-new. Secretariat, known to his owners and intimates as Big Red, the equine star at first is so slow "he couldn't beat a fat man encased in cement being dragged backwards by a freight train," according to his trainer (played with quirky, crusty gusto by John Malkovich). But his owner believes in him: Penny Chenery Tweedy, a Denver homemaker who inherits her father's Virginia horse farm and battles the sexist forces of her own family and the horse racing establishment to champion Big Red and change the face of the sport forever. **A.H.**

THE SOCIAL NETWORK (PG-13, 122 minutes) When a talky movie's talk has been written by Aaron Sorkin ("The West Wing"), and those words have been animated by the visual brio of director David Fincher, what looks on paper like a static series of dead-end conversations comes to life as a vital, engaging, even urgent parable for our age. As the dramatized story of Facebook founder Mark Zuckerberg, the film can't be taken as the literal record of events — which involved Zuckerberg being sued by his partners and competitors. With surgical precision, exhilarating insight and storytelling flair, Sorkin and Fincher bring viewers along on an infectiously giddy journey of discovery and invention. **A.H.**

TAKERS (PG-13, 107 minutes) "Takers" begins with one crime — a bank robbery — and builds up to another — the seizing of an armored car carrying $30 million. In between, the movie puts its cops and robbers in parallel motion toward a cataclysmic collision. Everybody has personal problems. Gang leader Gordon Crosier (the supremely charismatic Idris Elba) has to choreograph the big score while trying to keep his sister in rehab. He's also trying to dismiss doubts about Ghost (rapper T.I.), a former member of the gang who served six years in prison and is now back, carrying a chip on his shoulder. **JOHN ANDERSON**

THE TOWN (R, 130 minutes) This film harks back to gritty urban thrillers of the 1970s with an assured sense of tone and style. Affleck has cast himself in "The Town's" lead role of Doug MacRay, a native of Boston's tough Irish Charlestown neighborhood, which has produced

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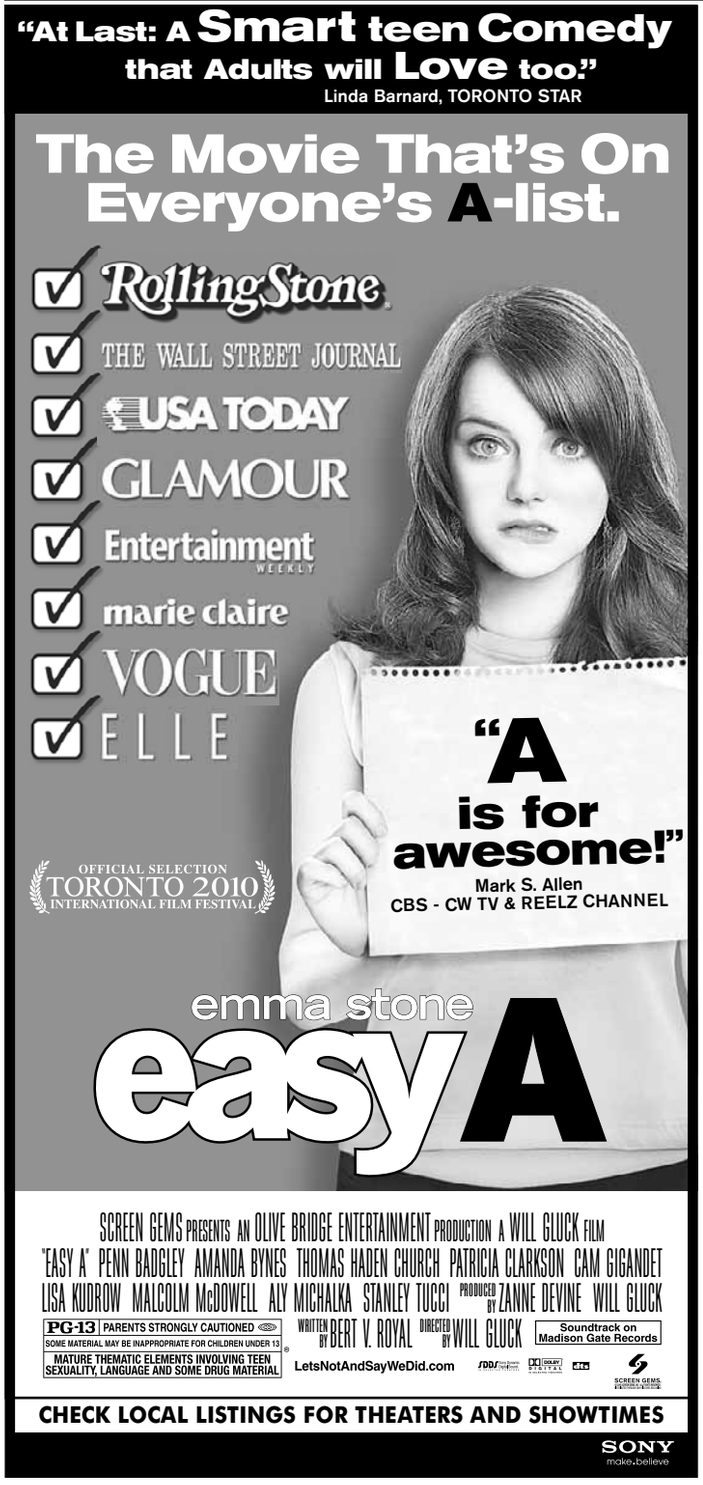

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more bank and armored car robberies than any place in the U.S. Doug and his best friend, Jem (Jeremy Renner), are members of one of Charlestown's most notorious crews. When the guys rob a bank and take a manager hostage, the episode sparks a series of events that leads Doug to question whether he's ready to leave Charlestown's tribal life while being pursued by an FBI agent (Jon Hamm). **A.H.**

WALL STREET: MONEY NEVER SLEEPS (PG-13, 133 minutes) Michael Douglas makes a triumphant return to form as one of American cinema's great villains, Gordon Gekko, in the 23-years-later sequel to the movie that captured the go-go '80s. In its own way, this film evinces just as strong a hold on its times, when terms like "subprime," "insurance swaps" and "credit default swaps" — phrases that would have been meaningless two decades ago — are the lingua franca of the financial realm. The crimes that Gekko went to jail for in Oliver Stone's original film now seem like child's play compared with the shady deals his spiritual heirs have been confecting during his years in prison. Now released, Gekko has renounced his past and published a book called "Is Greed Good?" **A.H.**

YOU AGAIN (PG, 105 minutes) "You Again" suffers from an increasingly common movie defect: appealing supporting characters and main characters who are as unlikely as they are unlikable. At the center of this unfunny comedy are Marni (Kristen Bell) and Joanna (Odette Yustman), former high school nemeses who discover years after graduating they once again have something in common: Marni's brother Will (Jimmy Wolk), who's about to marry Joanna. We see cheerleader Joanna tormenting the pimply, bespectacled Marni, then catch up with them today. Enter Sigourney Weaver and Jamie Lee Curtis, playing, respectively, Joanna's stuck-up Aunt Ramona and Marni's mother, Gail, a neurotically competitive former cheerleader. They, it turns out, also have bad blood dating to high school. **M.O.**

YOU WILL MEET A TALL DARK STRANGER (R, 98 minutes) As the film opens, Alfie (Anthony Hopkins) has just left his wife of 40 years, Helena (Gemma Jones). She "allowed herself to become old," he says to his much younger soon-to-be second wife, Charmaine (Lucy Punch), a blowsy prostitute and gold digger. Helena, after an attempted suicide, has found solace in the counsel of a clairvoyant (Pauline Collins). Eventually, Helena takes up with Jonathan (Roger Ashton Griffiths), the eccentric, widowed owner of an occult bookstore. But they can't be together until Jonathan gets permission, via a seance, from his dead wife. Meanwhile, Alfie and Helena's daughter Sally (Naomi Watts) is also fidgeting uneasily in her marriage. **M.O.**

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Gemma Jones dates an occult-obsessed gentleman in "Tall Dark Stranger."

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1 Puzzle Master

We're obsessed with Jim Sanborn, the artist who designed Kryptos, the puzzle/sculpture that sits on the CIA's campus in Langley and has been stumping our nation's best code-breakers for the last 20 years. So when we heard he was giving a lecture at the Walters as part of a symposium on codes in art, we were more than a little excited. If you just want to see him, his talk starts at 3 p.m. ***Walters Museum, 600 N. Charles St., Baltimore; Sun., 10:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., $8 per session or $25 for four; 410-547-9000, Thewalters.org.***

2 First-World Problems

Once upon a time, the rabble who went to the theater (because people with real class went to the opera, which was where all the sexy dancing secretly went on) was entertained by the antics of the idle rich. "Why do we bring this up?" you ask. Well, the latest play at the Signature Theatre takes the same "Lifestyles of the Rich and Famous" tack — it documents the shenanigans that go on at an exclusive country club. It stars Holly Twyford, so we're responding with breathless optimism. ***Signature Theatre, 4200 Campbell Ave., Arlington; through Nov. 14; 703-820-9771, Sig-online.org.***

3 Out in Front

Frankie Rose has been in the Vivian Girls and Crystal Stilts, but now she has a brand-new band (Frankie Rose and the Outs) and a new gig (vocals and guitar instead of drums). The result is lovely and strange, dreamy synth-pop that's simultaneously soothing and jarring. The band is playing at Comet Ping Pong Sunday night, which means you can fulfill the vital "pizza component" of the evening. ***Comet Ping Pong, 5037 Connecticut Ave. NW; Sun., 8 p.m., $10; 202-364-0404, Cometpingpong.com. (Van Ness)***

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Nowhere Boy (R) AMC INDEPENDENT: 11:30-2:00-4:35-7:10-9:45-12:15
Catfish (PG-13) AMC INDEPENDENT: 11:15-1:25-3:50-6:15-8:45-10:55
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Jackass 3D (R) RealD 3D: 10:05-12:25-2:50-5:20-7:50-10:35-12:50
Stone (R) AMC INDEPENDENT: 11:05-1:40-4:20-7:05-9:50-12:25
You Will Meet A Tall Dark Stranger (R) AMC INDEPENDENT: 2:20-6:00
My Soul to Take 3D (R) RealD 3D: 12:45-3:15-5:45-8:30-11:10
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Secretariat (PG) 10:30-1:30-4:30-7:30-10:30
The Social Network (PG-13) 10:00-12:00-1:00-3:00-4:00-7:00-8:20-10:00-11:05-12:45
Red (PG-13) 12:05-2:40-5:10-7:40-10:20
Easy A (PG-13) 11:55-5:00-7:20-9:40-11:55

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Legend of the Guardians: The Owls of Ga'Hoole (PG) CC-Closed Captions: 12:20-2:50
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The Social Network (PG-13) 1:50-4:40-7:30-10:20
Easy A (PG-13) 5:20-7:50-10:15
Legend of the Guardians: The Owls of Ga'Hoole (PG) 12:20-2:50

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The Social Network (PG-13) 12:15-3:00-5:45-8:30
Nuremberg: Its Lesson For Today (Nurnberg und seine Lehre) (NR) (!) 11:00-1:15-6:00
Genius Within: The Inner Life of Glenn Gould (NR) 3:30-7:50

Landmark E Street Cinema
555 11th St. NW www.landmarktheatres.com

The Room (R) 12:00AM
House (Hausu) (1977) (NR) 12:00AM
White Wedding (NR) 1:10-3:20-5:30-7:40-9:50
It's Kind of a Funny Story (PG-13) 12:05-2:20-4:50-7:20-9:35
Never Let Me Go (R) 2:15-4:45-7:15-9:45
Buried (R) 9:30-11:45
Nowhere Boy (R) 12:15-2:30-5:00-7:30-10:00
Waiting for Superman (PG) 12:00-1:30-2:30-4:15-5:15-7:00-8:00-9:45-10:45
Heartbreaker (L'arnacoeur) (NR) 2:05-4:35-7:05
You Will Meet A Tall Dark Stranger (R) 12:00-2:10-4:40-7:10-9:40

Regal Gallery Place Stadium 14
707 Seventh Street NW www.regalcinemas.com

Legend of the Guardians: The Owls of Ga'Hoole 3D (PG) RealD 3D: (!) 12:05-2:40-5:15
Let Me In (R) Digital Projection: 1:30
The Town (R) OC-Open Caption: 1:20
The Social Network (PG-13) Digital Projection: 4:30-7:40-10:25
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Stone (R) 12:15-2:45-5:20-7:45-10:15-12:40

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Let the Right One In (Lat den ratte komma in) (R) 11:00
The Missing Lynx (El lince perdido) (PG) 5:00
Stormheart (Myrsky) (NR) (!) 3:00
Louise-Michel (NR) (!) 7:00
Waiting for Superman (PG) (!) 12:20-2:30-4:45-7:10-9:20
Giant (Gigante) (NR) 9:00
Never Let Me Go (R) 12:40-2:50-5:05-7:20-9:30

AMC Loews Center Park 8
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Jackass 3 in 2D (R) (!) 11:50-2:40-5:30-8:00-10:45

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The Town (R) 3:30-9:45
Life As We Know It (PG-13) 1:45-4:50-7:45-10:45
Secretariat (PG) 12:45-3:50-7:00-10:00
The Social Network (PG-13) 1:05-4:10-7:15-10:15
Red (PG-13) 1:25-4:30-7:30-10:30

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GhettoPhysics: Will the Real Pimps and Hos Please Stand Up? (R) AMC INDEPENDENT: (!) 7:20-9:50-12:10
Case 39 (R) 10:40-4:10-9:40
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Devil (PG-13) 11:45-2:10-4:25-6:40-9:00-11:15
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Never Let Me Go (R) 2:15-4:45-7:15-9:45
Get Low (PG-13) 2:05-4:35-7:10-9:40
Mao's Last Dancer (PG) 1:35-4:10-6:50-9:25
It's Kind of a Funny Story (PG-13) 1:45-4:30-7:20-9:55
Catfish (PG-13) 2:30-4:50-7:40-9:50
Waiting for Superman (PG) 1:50-2:45-4:25-5:30-7:00-8:00-9:35
You Will Meet A Tall Dark Stranger (R) 2:00-4:20-7:05-9:30

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The Social Network (PG-13) 1:40-4:40-7:30-10:15
Red (PG-13) 2:20-5:00-7:40-10:20
Stone (R) 2:50-5:20-7:50-10:30
Legend of the Guardians: The Owls of Ga'Hoole (PG) 2:05-4:25

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Case 39 (R) 1:35
Takers (PG-13) 9:40-12:10
Let Me In (R) 1:20-4:20-7:10-9:55-12:35
Wall Street: Money Never Sleeps (PG-13) 4:10-7:05-10:00-12:45

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Jackass 3 in 2D (R) 1:20-4:20-7:10-10:00
N-Secure (R) 2:00-5:00-7:30-10:15

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Life As We Know It (PG-13) Digital Presentation: (!) 1:40-4:30-7:20-10:15
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Easy A (PG-13) 12:30-3:00-5:15-7:45-10:05

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Secretariat (PG) /DVS-Closed Captions &Descriptive Video: (!) 10:55-1:55-4:55-7:55-10:55
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My Soul to Take (R) (!) 12:00-2:50-5:30-8:55-11:35
The Social Network (PG-13) 10:15-11:15-1:15-2:15-4:15-5:15-7:15-8:15-10:15-11:15
Red (PG-13) (!) 10:00-11:00-1:00-2:00-4:00-5:00-7:00-8:00-10:00-11:00
Easy A (PG-13) 10:20-3:20-8:05
Devil (PG-13) 12:50-5:55-10:55

Alexandria Old Town Theater
815 1/2 King St http://tickets.oldtowntheater.com

It's a Wonderful Afterlife (PG-13) (!) 5:00-7:30-10:00
The Town (R) 5:00-7:30-10:00

Arlington Cinema 'N' Drafthouse
2903 Columbia Pike http://www.arlingtondrafthouse.com

Inception (PG-13) 7:00
Salt (PG-13) 9:55

Regal Ballston Common 12
671 N. Glebe Road www.regalcinemas.com

Jackass 3D (R) RealD 3D: (!) 2:40-5:10-7:40-10:20
My Soul to Take 3D (R) RealD 3D: (!) 2:30-5:00-7:50-10:35
The Other Guys (PG-13) 2:50-5:30-8:00-10:40
You Again (PG) 1:10-3:40-6:40-9:20
The Girl Who Played With Fire (Flickan som lekte med elden) (R) 1:00-4:00-7:00-10:00
Nowhere Boy (R) 2:10-4:40-7:25-9:50
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Legend of the Guardians: The Owls of Ga'Hoole (PG) 1:20-3:50-6:30-9:10
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Stone (R) 2:00-4:50-7:30-10:10
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Regal Kingstowne 16
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The Town (R) 1:15-4:05-6:55-9:45
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Regal Potomac Yard 16
3575 Jefferson Davis Highway www.regalcinemas.com

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N-Secure (R) 1:35-4:10-6:40-9:10-11:40

TV weekend lookout

Best Bets

FRI 8:00

Medium (CBS) Ariel is in college already? How time flies! In this new episode, while Allison (Patricia Arquette, left) and Joe's eldest daughter deals with her siblings' reactions to her imminent departure, Allison finds a possible link between a girl's disappearance and Scanlon's late brother.

FRI 9:00

Supernatural (CW) Realizing that the demon Crowley plans to renege on his promise to return his soul, Bobby calls on Dean and Sam for help, after unearthing one of the demon's deepest secrets.

FRI 10:00

Teach: Tony Danza (A&E) Tony's schedule at the school, which includes helping with football and band practice, gets more crowded when the Philadelphia mayor asks him to host a charity show.

SUN 8:00

Nature (PBS) "Echo: An Elephant to Remember" recalls a famed elephant who stood by her son, Ely, as he struggled with a crippling disease, and rescued her kidnapped daughter, Ebony. (TRIBUNE MEDIA)

TRAE PATTON/NBC

SCHOOL PRIDE

Educational Fixes

FRI 8:00

NBC offers the latest variation on the "Extreme Makeover" model. Produced by "Curb Your Enthusiasm" star Cheryl Hines and "Makeover" producer Denise Cramsey, "School Pride" puts the spotlight on a different failing institution each week as semi-celebrities offer help to eager students, teachers and staff. "School" premieres with a rehab of Enterprise Middle School in Compton, Calif. (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

Finale

New Temptations

"Mad Men" (10 p.m., Sunday on AMC) ends its fourth season with both Don and Peggy considering potentially life-altering offers. Among the surprises of this season has been the decision to downplay the role of Don's ex-wife, Betty. But this was compensated for by the greater focus on young Sally (Kiernan Shipka) as she enters a troubled adolescence. (UFS)

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Today's Question

WILL ROBERT EHRLICH UNSEAT MARTIN O'MALLEY AS MARYLAND GOVERNOR?

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Yesterday's Results

WERE YOU SURPRISED THAT MICHELLE RHEE STEPPED DOWN MID-SCHOOL YEAR?

"Rhee's exit probably wasn't as optional as is claimed. She wanted higher standards and accountability from teachers and students, so, obviously, she had to go."

COMMENTER SKVOZNYAK

"After she fired over 260 teachers without cause (exceptions for about 20), who would think she truly cares about the school system? It was resume fodder for her."

AN ANONYMOUS COMMENTER

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Blog Log

"If you suddenly, inexplicably feel the need for speed, the urge to belt out 'You've Lost That Loving Feeling' in a bar... or the strange inkling to play beach volleyball in jeans, there's a reason: Paramount Pictures officially wants to reunite Tom Cruise, director Tony Scott and producer Jerry Bruckheimer for 'Top Gun 2.'"

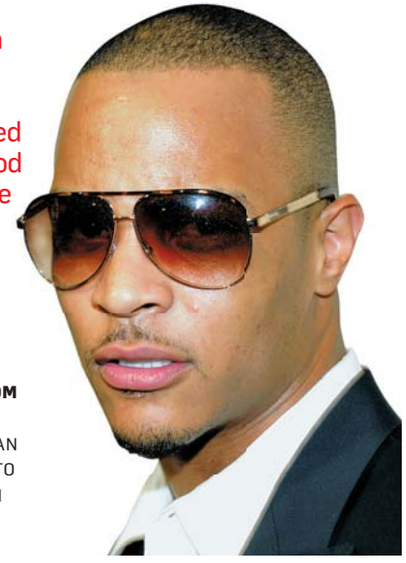
— **MOVIESBLOG.MTV.COM** REACTS TO A RUMOR THAT A SEQUEL TO THE 1986 CLASSIC MAY BE IN THE MAKING.

"I am so glad that Whoopi [Goldberg] and Joy [Behar] have a backbone!!! ... Although the two later returned after Bill apologized, it made for great TV."

— **FREDDYO.COM** WAS GLAD TO SEE THE "VIEW" CO-HOSTS WALK OFF THE SET WHEN O'REILLY DISCUSSED PRESIDENT OBAMA AND THE 9/11 ATTACKS THURSDAY.

"T.I. may be known for his trouble with the law, but yesterday he proved himself to be a Good Samaritan when he helped talk down a suicidal man from plunging to a 22-story death in Atlanta."

— **BLOG.MUCHMUSIC.COM** WAS IMPRESSED BY THE RAPPER'S EFFORTS WITH AN ATLANTA RADIO STATION TO HELP A TROUBLED MAN ON WEDNESDAY.



"Ya knew it was coming ... hopping on the bandwagon of the mining miracle in Chile ... it's a PR dream come true."

— **ESTERGOLDBERG.TYPEPAD.COM** ISN'T SURPRISED TO SEE THAT SPIKE TV IS SET TO ANNOUNCE A MINING REALITY SERIES FROM THE PRODUCERS OF "DEADLIEST CATCH" CALLED "COAL," CHRONICLING THE DANGEROUS PROFESSION OF COAL MINING IN WEST VIRGINIA.

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Horoscope

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) A change in plans results in something that can provide you with a great deal of pleasure in the days and weeks to come.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) You will have to make up your mind rather quickly when you are faced with a choice that you have been avoiding for quite some time.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) The same old thing may actually feel quite new to you. There's no reason you should steer clear of the familiar.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Efficiency is the key, and much depends upon how well you organize — or reorganize — your priorities. Experience plays a part.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) You'll be invited to take part in something you had only imagined in the past, but you're ready and eager to put it on the line.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) You don't want to get yourself into anything that will endanger those around you. You can take calculated risks yourself.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You and a friend may have to work closely together, even though quite a distance may separate you. Stay in touch, of course.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Your ability to think things through will come in handy all day; the more intellectual your approach at this time the better.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You must avoid any kind of knee-jerk reactions, especially when you are dealing with those who are already more emotional than you are.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Others may not fully understand your ability to laugh when the going gets tough, but it serves you well and keeps you ready.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) What used to be a disadvantage might actually prove to be an advantage. Do what you can to maximize your gains when gains are few.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Balance is the key — physically, mentally and emotionally. Don't overdo it when you get the call to swing into action.

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Scrabble Grams

PAR SCORE 200-210, BEST SCORE 291

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A1	E1	O1	G2	N1	D2	B3	1st Letter Double	
								RACK 2
A1	A1	D2	L1	N1	B3	D2		
								RACK 3
A1	O1	X8	D2	S1	N1	B3	Triple Word Score	
								RACK 4
E1	O1	Y4	T1	V4	R1	P3		

Yesterday's Solution

P3	A1	D2	D2	O1	C3	K5	RACK 1 = 101
B3	O1	U1	N1	C3	E1	R1	RACK 2 = 61
A1	L1	I1	B3	I1	E1	D2	RACK 3 = 61
A1	V4	A1	T1	A1	R1		RACK 4 = 9
PAR SCORE 140-150							TOTAL 232

FOUR RACK TOTAL

Make a 2-7 letter word from the letters in each row. Add points of each word using scoring directions at right. 7-letter words get a 50-point bonus. Blank tiles used as any letter have no point value. Scrabble is a trademark of Hasbro in the U.S. and Canada.

Sudoku

DIFFICULT

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			8					1
				7	5	4		
7						6	2	

Yesterday's Solution

8	7	5	4	1	6	9	2	3
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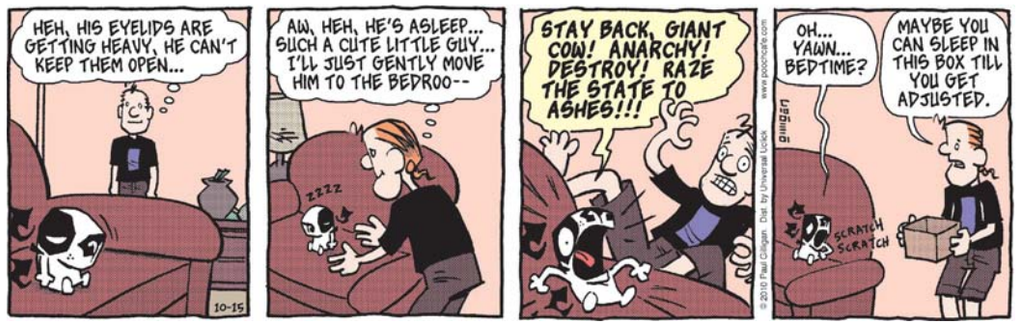

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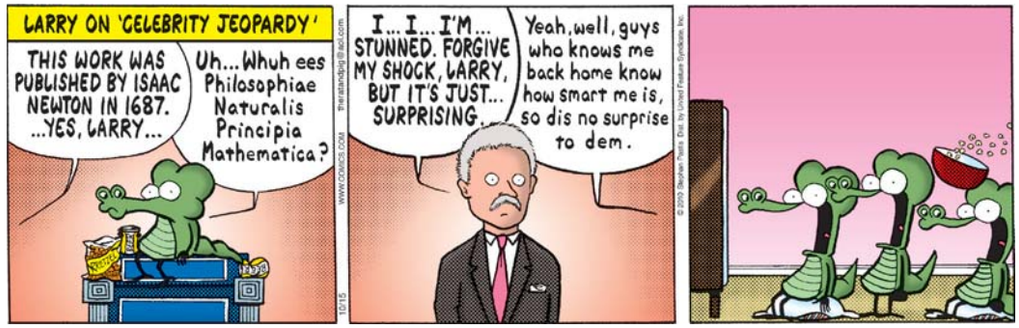

Forecast

68 | 45

Today: A passing shower today; windy and cool. Mainly clear tonight.

65 | 46

Tomorrow: Mostly sunny and windy tomorrow. Clear tomorrow night.

Looking Ahead

SUN	MON	TUE
69 | 50	66 | 52	69 | 54

Sun and Moon
Sunrise today: 7:17 a.m.
Sunset today: 6:30 p.m.
Moonrise today: 2:46 p.m.
Moonset today: 12:12 a.m.

Almanac
Normal high: 69
Record high: 87
Normal low: 50
Record low: 32

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Crossword

THE DANDY

ACROSS

1 Cause of a sloppy track
4 ___ Mae (Whoopi's "Ghost" role)
7 Problem drinker
10 Doctorate (Abbr.)
13 Actor Wallach
14 City near Disney World
16 Sitcom actress Charlotte
17 Quieting feature of some vehicles
19 Tolkien fiend
20 Pond organism
21 Bygone Russian space station
22 Old newsboy's call
24 Durable tree in the pine family
26 Having no match
29 Letter after zeta
30 Prior, to Prior
32 Power problems
33 Quiet and modest
35 "___ Miserables"
36 Despite all that
37 Car part that creates friction
40 U.S. government document producer
42 Dog doc
43 Firstborn sibling
47 Turncoat's crime
49 Apple cider girl of song
50 Film colleague of Morpheus and Trinity
51 Night crawler
53 Honors in style
55 Seed to flavor liqueur
56 Photo ___ (publicity setups)
58 Saws along the grain
59 Arrow partner
60 It prevents coolant from escaping
64 Will Smith portrayal of 2001
65 Charmingly pastoral
66 Praise may inflate it
67 Stand-up unit
68 No proponent
69 "... wherefore ___ thou Romeo?"
70 Like many sr. citizens

DOWN

1 Excelled in the Olympics
2 Act the banshee
3 Explanatory chart
4 ___-pah-pah (tuba sound)
5 You can beat it with a stick
6 To the end, in music
7 Weekend NBC comedy, for short
8 Praising poem
9 Tried to rip open
10 Mentor's charge
11 Tubman or Nelson
12 Model train stick-ons
15 Certain coiffure
18 Fond du ___ (Wisconsin city)
23 Photographed in a dentist's office
25 Munchen Mr.
27 Regretful RSVPs
28 More than encouraged
31 Acknowledge anew
34 Maritime hazards in WWII
35 Permit
38 Lottery-like game
39 Royal Norse name
40 Health nut's cereal
41 Colonial era hairpiece
44 Tempter
45 Slow outflow
46 Sot
47 Brewing innovation
48 Arab prince
49 Graceful antelope
52 Muddy up, as water
54 Make muffs
57 Wield a swizzle stick
61 Bother, to the Bard
62 Give a new hue to
63 Tenth mo.

Yesterday's Solution

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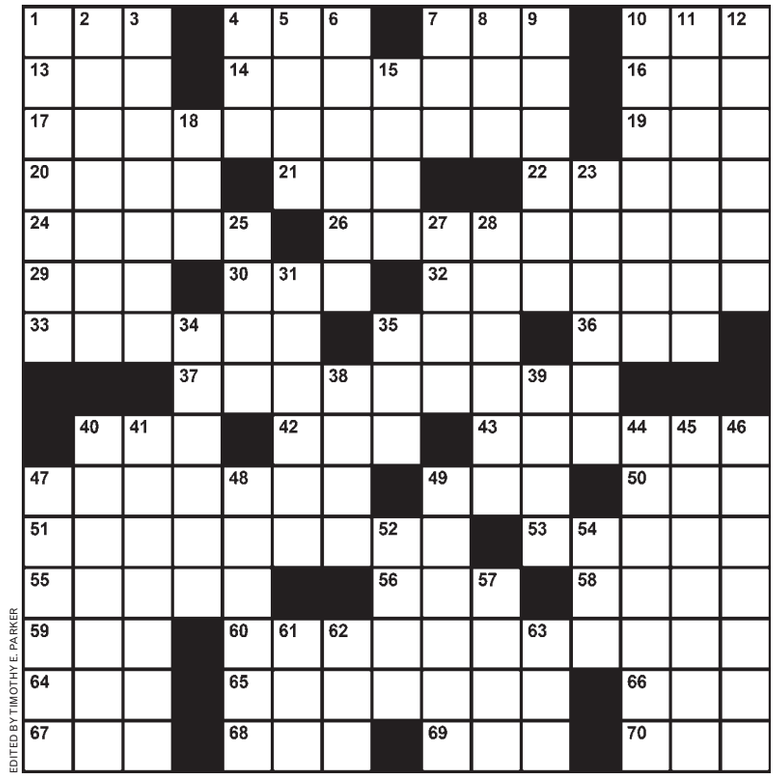

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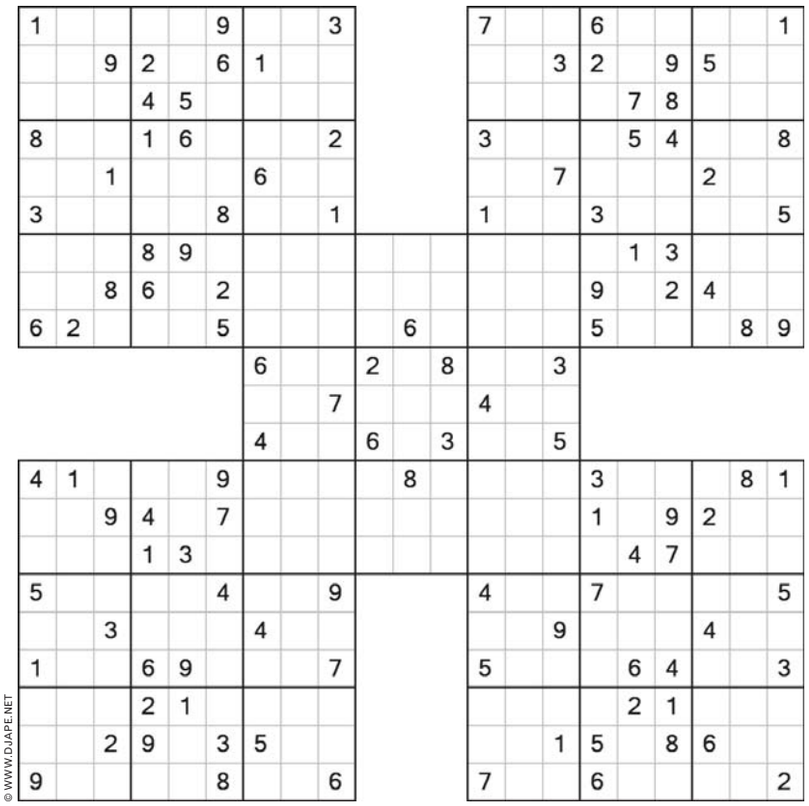
Samurai Sudoku

DIFFICULT

Fill in each column, row and 3x3 box with the digits 1 through 9 without repeating any. The twist in Samurai Sudoku is that the digits that appear in the overlapping boxes must work for both puzzles. A piece of advice to get you started: Don't focus on completing one grid at a time. Keep the whole puzzle in mind as you go, because filling in a number in one grid could give you clues to another.



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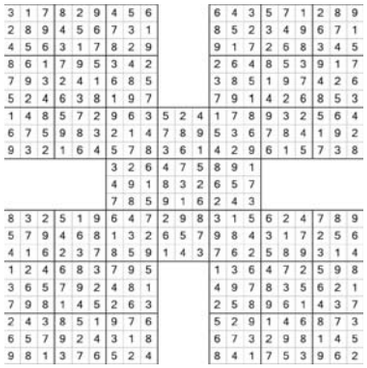
Last Week's Solution



Today in History

1860 Grace Bedell, 11, of Westfield, N.Y., writes a letter to presidential candidate Abraham Lincoln, suggesting he could improve his appearance by growing a beard.

1917 Dutch dancer Mata Hari, convicted of spying for the Germans, is executed by a French firing squad outside Paris.

2009 A report of a 6-year-old Colorado boy trapped inside a runaway helium balloon captivates the nation before the boy, Falcon Heene, is found safe at home in what turns out to be a hoax.

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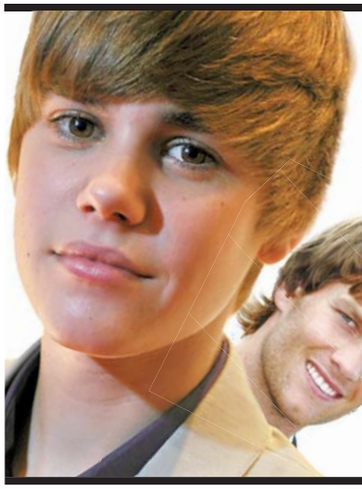

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Someone Overreacting To Gisele's New Playlist

Even Justin Bieber is making fun of Tom Brady. The quarterback's locks have been mocked for resembling those of Bieber's, and now Biebs himself is piling on. In a video posted Wednesday, he raps: "Sacked like a sacker. Call up Mr. Brady. Tell him to leave his hair to the guy who sings 'Baby.'" (AP)

NO-WIN SITUATION

This Lawsuit Never Fails to Depress Us

A British judge refused to dismiss a plagiarism lawsuit against J.K. Rowling on Thursday, saying claims that she stole ideas from another author should be given a proper hearing. The lawsuit alleges that "Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire" copied parts of the late Adrien Jacobs' 1987 book "The Adventures of Willy the Wizard — No. 1 Livid Land." (AP)

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J.K. Rowling laughs in the face of plagiarism charges. Or at a funny joke.

Reality

That Is NOT Photoshopped

Barbara Walters will sit down for a prime-time interview with Oprah Winfrey about the end of the daytime talk star's show. The hour-long show will air Dec. 9 on ABC, followed by another hour about the most fascinating people of 2010. Winfrey will include the star talking about memorable moments in her 25-year-old series. (AP)

VIA TWITPIC

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They're Two of A Kind

A photo on the "Live With Regis and Kelly" Twitter feed shows Regis Philbin and Pee-wee Herman cavorting outside the M&M's store in Times Square while taping a segment to run on Oct. 19. The pair stopped at several landmarks before ending at the theater where Herman's show opens Nov. 11. (EXPRESS)

SURPRISE

Another Seemingly Stable Couple Suddenly Parts

Christina Aguilera filed for divorce from husband Jordan Bratman on Thursday, two days after announcing the couple had separated. The singer cited irreconcilable differences. (AP)

"I just dress like ... I'm an old black man. Sorry! Like I'm an old Jewish black man. I just dress like it's still the '50s."

— **AMY WINEHOUSE** TELLS HARPER'S BAZAAR ABOUT HER FASHION SENSE. WHEN ASKED WHETHER SHE'S A STYLE ICON, SHE SAYS "OF COURSE NOT."

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Why 40 days?

Forty days is a biblical time frame of change. There are exactly 40 days from October 17th to Thanksgiving. We're inviting you to connect with God during this period and learn how to use the Power of Asking like never before.

Who is it for?

For those who feel: - Life is incomplete, tired of asking and getting no answers, Dreams never come true, only God can help but their prayers are getting them nowhere, they need new doors to open.

Where + when?

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